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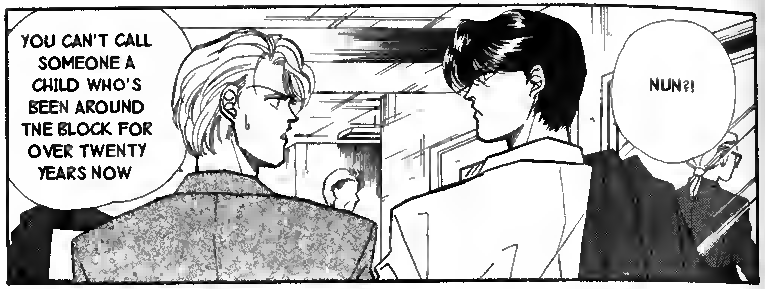
NIS OFFICE IS THE ONE RIGHT AT THE END OF THAT HALL OVER THERE.
NOW YOU JUST NEED TO CHECK IN WITH THE INVESTIGATION CHIEF.
OKAY, YOU'RE ALL SET HERE.
UMMM, YEAH. I'LL BE SURE TO DO THAT, JANET.
THANKS.
YOU'RE VERY WELCOME.
OH, AND, UH, BY THE WAY, RANDY— JUST DON'T FORGET TO ASK ME OUT SOME TIME WHEN YOU'RE FREE, OKAY?

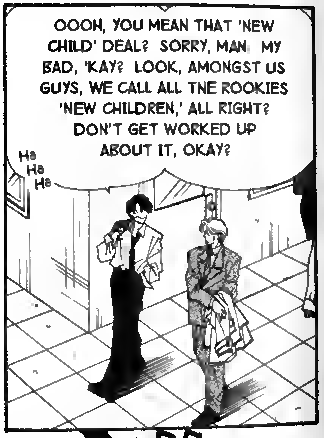
NEW YORK POLICE DEPARTMENT. 27TH PRECINCT.

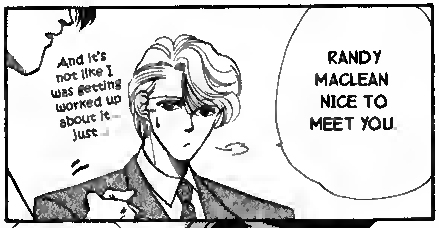
Cool. He's not talking to me.
URHN, EXCUSE ME BUT...
I'M LISTENING, I'M LISTENING.
HOW MANY TIMES DO I HAVE TO SCREAM THIS INTO YOUR FREAKING EARS BEFORE IT SINKS IN TO YOUR SAD EXCUSE FOR A BRAIN?! ARE YOU EVEN PAYING ATTENTION? DARN IT, DEE!
WHAT THE HECK DO YOU WANT?!
HUH?
In other words, you forgot, right?
OH, A NEW RECRUIT, HUH? YEAH.. NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT, I VAGUELY RECALL SOMETHING ABOUT SOMEBODY COMING IN TODAY
MY NAME IS RANOY MACLEAN, SIR. I'VE BEEN ASSIGNED TO YOUR CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT AS OF TOOAY
STOP RIGHT THERE, DEE!
And just where the hell do you think you're going, dumbass?

!?
HOPE THIS IS IT.
AND HERE WE ARE.. RIGHT AT THE END OF THE HALL.
..NO ONE'S ANSWERING.
I DEFINITELY HEAR VOICES IN THERE BUT..
TOO WEIRD.
YOU IDIOT!
ACK!


YOU CAN'T CALL SOMEONE A CHILD WHO'S BEEN AROUND THE BLOCK FOR OVER TWENTY YEARS NOW
NUN?!

AT ANY RATE, THE NAME'S DEE LAYTNER. CALL ME DEE.


OOOH, YOU MEAN THAT 'NEW CHILD' DEAL? SORRY, MAN. MY BAD, 'KAY? LOOK, AMONGST US GUYS, WE CALL ALL THE ROOKIES 'NEW CHILDREN,' ALL RIGHT? DON'T GET WORKED UP ABOUT IT, OKAY?
Ha Ha Ha


And it's not like I was getting worked up about it— just...
RANDY MACLEAN NICE TO MEET YOU.

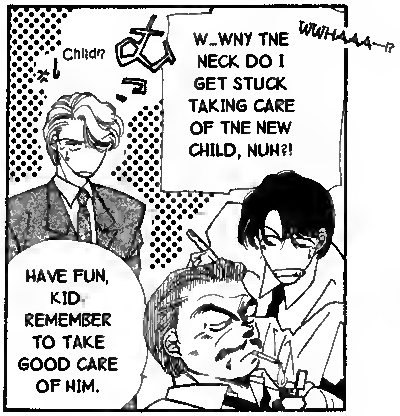
UR..URMM.. YEAH. ACTUALLY, I DO.
HEY. YOU GOT SOME JAPANESE IN YOU OR SOMETHING?
Your eyes are pitch black

ALL RIGHT, RANDY..
IT'S RANDY, SIR.
HEY, ROOKIE.

YOU'RE NOT GOING ANYWHERE!
WELL, YOU'RE OBVIOUSLY A BIT BUSY, SO I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE IN YOUR BEST INTEREST IF I RETURNED TO MY INVESTIGATORY DUTIES, SIR, AND..
Give it up

!!
ASK HIM TO SNOW YOU THE ROPES.
MEET YOUR NEW PARTNER.
Just don't do anything stupid like following his example

..MISTER LAYTNER.
Y'KNOW, I'D APPRECIATE IF YOU'D RETRACT THAT 'CHILD' COMMENT...


Child?
W..WHY THE NECK DO I GET STUCK TAKING CARE OF THE NEW CHILD, NUN?!
WUHAAA—!?
HAVE FUN, KID. REMEMBER TO TAKE GOOD CARE OF HIM.

...SOMETHING ABOUT HIM THAT DREW A PERSON TO HIM.

If you got any questions, any questions at all...don't bother asking me, okay? Of course, that'll get annoying real fast, though. But oh well.

And remember, bro...

...THERE WAS SOMETHING ABOUT DEE THAT MADE HIM IMPOSSIBLE TO HATE...

and he was a guy to hate!

MY VERY FIRST IMPRESSION OF DEE...MY NEW PARTNER.

How about we just don't have any 'misunderstandings' in the first place, then?

Oh, and I'm counting on you to take care of all the paperwork...especially the ones that follow my non-frequent misunderstandings with procedure. Kay, partner?

AND THAT, I THINK, WAS MY FIRST IMPRESSION...

RYO HUH? SO, WOULD YOU TAKE OFFENSE TO ME CALLING YOU RYO FROM HOW ON?

IT'S RYO.

YOU DO HAVE ONE, DON'T YOU?

HUH?!

WHAT'S YOUR JAPANESE NAME?

THEN RYO IT IS.

I guess either/or is fine...

N..HO. IT WOULDN'T OFFEND ME. IT'S JUST...

...SINCE HE'S BEEN RIDDLED WITH BULLETS WHICH MEANS, NEEDLESS TO SAY, WE'RE DEALING WITH A HOMICIDE.

THIS GUY'S NAME IS DICK GOLDMAN. WE KNOW HE'S A RESIDENT OF THE SLUM DISTRICT — BUT THAT'S ABOUT ALL WE HAVE FOR NOW. AS YOU CAN SEE, HE OBVIOUSLY DIDN'T DAZZLE THE NEIGHBORS

HERE'S WHAT I'VE BEEN WORKING ON.

BANG

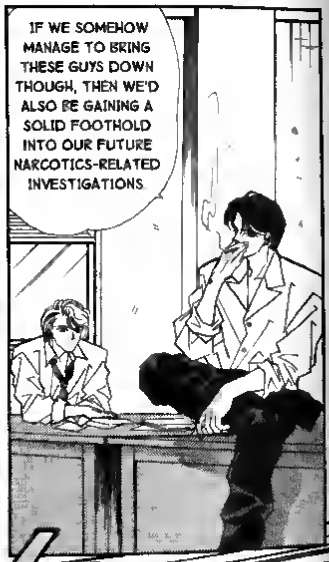
...FOR BEING OVERLY FRIENDLY, BORDERLINE OBNOXIOUS, AND IN-YOUR-FACE...

I DON'T KNOW HOW TO COMPLETELY EXPLAIN IT BUT...

I'M GONNA CALL YOU RYO.

HIS GROUP IS NOT THE MOST POWERFUL OF THE BUNCH, BUT THEY'VE GOT SOME MAJOR CONNECTIONS TO BIG FISH OUT THERE.
HERE'S THE HEAD OF OUR LITTLE RING, RICHARD FELDMAN.

A HOMICIDE SOURED BY DRUGS, HUH? THIS COULD GET MESSY.
I thought rookies got rookie assignments.


IF WE SOMEHOW MANAGE TO BRING THESE GUYS DOWN THOUGH, THEN WE'D ALSO BE GAINING A SOLID FOOTHOLD INTO OUR FUTURE NARCOTICS-RELATED INVESTIGATIONS.

THE ONLY THING I'M WORRIED ABOUT IS YOU, BUT...
HEY! TAKE IT EASY, BRO. IT'S JUST YOUR FIRST GIG BESIDES, YOU GOT ME AS A PARTNER SO NO WORRIES, OKAY?
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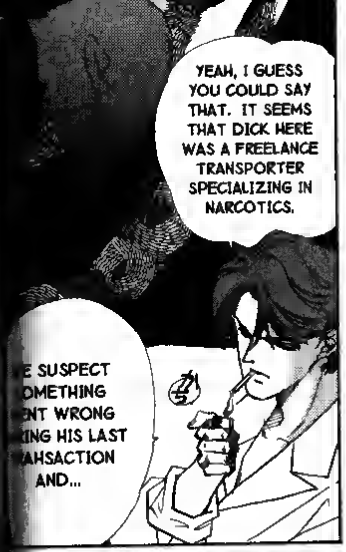

YEAH, I GUESS YOU COULD SAY THAT. IT SEEMS THAT DICK HERE WAS A FREELANCE TRANSPORTER SPECIALIZING IN NARCOTICS.
E SUSPECT OMETHING NT WRONG KING HIS LAST AHSACTION AND...

HERE'S THE TRICKY PART, THOUGH. THE DUDES WHO DID THIS TO HIM...WELL, THEY'RE NOT EXACTLY THE TYPE YOU'D INVITE TO A LION'S CLUB POTLUCK DINNER, YOU KNOW?

SO THEY'RE SOME KIND OF CRIMINAL ORGANIZATION?

BAM
...KABANG.
That's all she wrote

...ALSO APPENS TO E PART OF A DRUG SMUGGLING KING WE'VE EEN CHASING FOR SOME TIME NOW.
IN A LOVELY COINCIDENCE, HIS FINAL CLIENT...
A HIT?

BETTER QUIT WHILE YOU'RE AHEAD, KID.
!
RESTING ROOM
NE'S DICK GOLDMAN'S SON?!
I don't even see him now
I SEE.
SPEAKING OF...WHERE'D NE GO?
ON, NIM? NE'S COOL. SOMEONE'S JUST KEEPING AN EYE ON HIM RIGHT NOW.
I GUESS TNEY BROUGHT NIM IN FOR QUESTIONING BUT..
...NE FREAKED OUT WNEN TNEY ASKED HIM TO IDENTIFY NIS FATNER'S BODY.

WHAT THE HELL?!
Great
DEE, IT'S ALL YOU, MAN. GET NIM!

WELL, I'M NOT GONNA CRY!
I CRIED THE ENTIRE DAY I LOST MY PARENTS. I WAS EIGHTEEN.
...SO YOUNG.

WANT SOME HOT CHOCOLATE? BIKKY?

YOU'RE VERY STRONG, AREN'T YOU?

I'M NOT...

LOOK, BIKKY... I KNOW THIS IS PAINFUL BUT... I WAS WONDERING ABOUT YOUR DAD.

JUST BECAUSE YOU'RE A BOY DOESN'T MEAN YOU NEED TO KEEP THIS BOTTLED UP, BIKKY.
HE'S STILL...

Ah... Now I get it.
!?

WHAT?!
WELL THEN, RYO, I'LL TELL YOU EVERYTNING I KNOW.

G...GEEZ, DEE, CALM DOWN!!
You gonna let a kid ruffle your feathers?
Oh, really?? That's how you wanna play it, huh, kid? Well then, bring it on!!
BUT NOT YOU!

...ACCORDING TO BIKKY...
...DICK GOLDMAN LEFT NIS NOUSE ALONE AND SIMPLY DIDN'T COME BACK
SO...

...THE NIGHT YOUR FATNER WAS KILLED?
SO I'M GONNA ASK YOU AGAIN. WHERE WERE YOU...

HUH?
Me?
WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
Are you even listening to me, you little brat!
DON'T LOOK AT NIM! JUST ANSWER TNE QUESTION, KID!
Scare

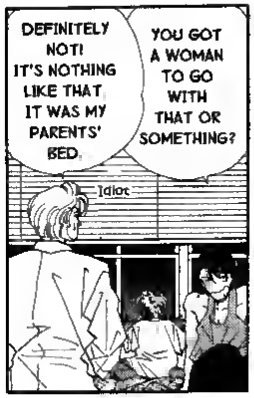
Easy, boy
MY NAME'S RANDY MACLEAN, AND THIS IS DEE LAYTNER, BIKKY.
LOOK NERE, KID! I'M THE ONE ASKING TNE QUESTIONS, NOT YOU!

...AND IT'S RYO, BY TNE WAY.
Shudder
THEY SAY GREAT MINDS THINK ALIKE..
Shimmy
WNAT'S YOUR JAPANESE NAME, NUH? YOU'RE PART JAPANESE, RIGHT?

HUN? AN...SURE.
WE'LL NEED A BIT MORE THAN FREAKIN' NOTNING TO CLOSE THIS ONE, SO EXPECT A BIT OF OVER-TIME ON TNIS STARTING TOMORROW, LADS.
HMM
I suppose
SO IN OTHER WORDS, WE GOT SQUAT, RIGNT?
EASY NOW, BOYS. LET'S RESOLVE THIS OVER DINNER, OKAY?
HEY! WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU STILL DOING HANGIN' AROUND THIS PLACE? GO HOME, YOU LITTLE SNOT!
WHAT THE NELL ARE YOU BLUSNING FOR, YOU FAG?!
I GUESS. I WAS GONNA GRAB SOMETNING TO EAT, TNEN HIT THE SACK. WHY DO YOU ASK?
ARE YOU BUSY TONIGHT?
AT ANY RATE, TNAT'S IT FOR TONIGNT.
NEY, DEE, YOU GOT A SECOND?
YOU'RE GONNA TAKE NIM IN FOR A BIT?! THAT GREASY PUNK?!
WHA?!
WELL, I WAS WONDERING IF... IF YOU'D LIKE TO NAVE DINNER WITH ME.
THERE'S SOMETNING I'D LIKE TO DISCUSS WITN YOU, IF YOU DON'T MIND.

SHUT UP AND STOP MOVING!
WHAAAAA! GET THE HELL AWAY FROM ME!! UWWAAAA-HHHHHH!
Ow ow ow ow!!
Like it really takes that long to dry hair? That was friggin' annoying me
URRRG GHHH!
GIVE IT HERE!
AND WHAT'S IT TO YOU IF SHE WAS, NUH?
NEY... WAS YOUR MOTHER WHITE?
WELL, I HATE IT!
Man you live to piss me off
I'M JUST SAYING, YOUR HAIR IS AN INTERESTING SHADE OF BLONDE IT'S DIFFERENT... VERY COOL

NOW CAN YOU MAKE JUDGMENTS LIKE THAT?! YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW NIM!
...BUT HE'S STILL A KID OUT OF THE 'HOOD, AND YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT HE'S CAPABLE OF.
RYO, YOU'RE NOT THINKING CLEARLY. SURE, HE'S A KID AND ALL...
...THEY'RE KICKING HIM OUT OF HIS APARTMENT, TOO.
LOOK, HE DOESN'T HAVE ANY RELATIVES, AND SINCE HIS FATHER PASSED AWAY...
Can you make the salad?
PROBABLY A LOT MORE THAN YOU, DEE.
AND YOU DO?
UN, NUN
Munch
WHY DON'T YOU TRY SITTING DOWN AND ACTUALLY COMMUNICATING WITH HIM? YOU MIGHT JUST SEE WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT.


DEFINITELY NOT! IT'S NOTHING LIKE THAT. IT WAS MY PARENTS' BED.
YOU GOT A WOMAN TO GO WITH THAT OR SOMETHING?
Idiot

THAT'S QUITE THE BED YOU GOT THERE. IT'S HUGE!
What is it? A king?

OH, AND YOU DIDN'T?
YOU GREW UP IN A LOVING FAMILY, DIDN'T YOU?

I JUST COULDN'T BRING MYSELF TO GET RID OF IT.

SOMETIMES, I WONDER..

RIGHT, SURE, BLONDIE. SO HOW BAD DID THEY MAKE FUN OF YOU, HUH?

SHUT UP. IT'S NOT LIKE THAT.
YOU USED TO GET TEASED BECAUSE OF YOUR HAIR, DIDN'T YOU?
Grin

OH, I GET IT.

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バキ
ドス

OOOH.

I SUPPOSE THOSE TWO ARE BETTER AT COMMUNICATING THROUGH FISTS RATHER THAN WORDS.
Okay, you were too far with the creepy old codger bit!
Okay, that's it! It's war, punk!!
Shut your face, you creepy old codger!!! I'm a kid!! I'm supposed to be there!!
Oh well— sleepy time for me—

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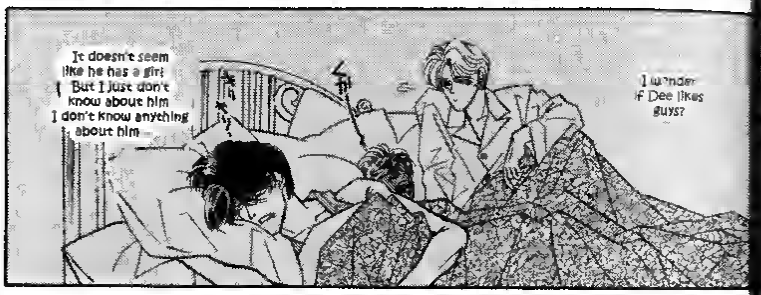
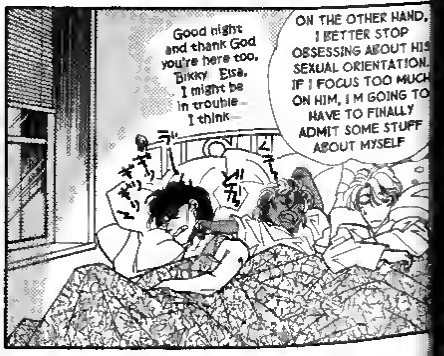
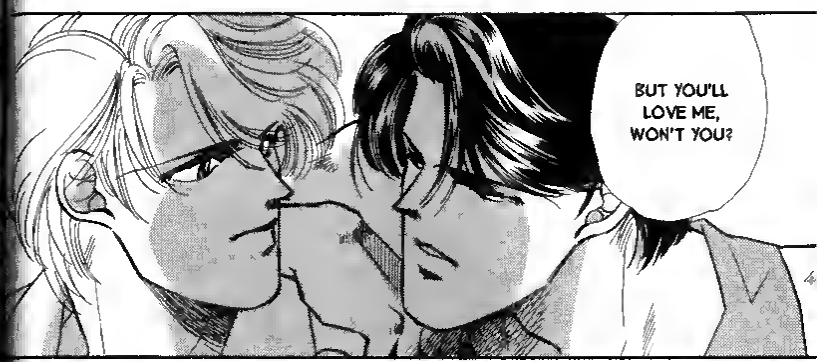
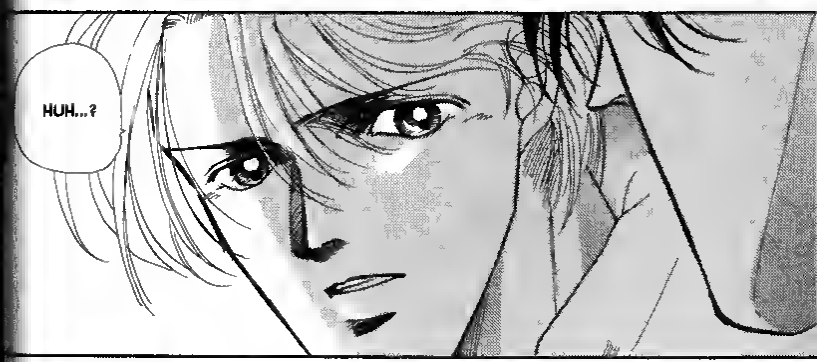

It doesn't seem like he has a girl. But I just don't know about him. I don't know anything about him...
I wonder if Dee likes guys?

But what he said just now... It seemed deeper than he played it off...


Good night and thank God you're here too, Bikky. Elsa, I might be in trouble... I think...
ON THE OTHER HAND, I BETTER STOP OBSESSING ABOUT HIS SEXUAL ORIENTATION. IF I FOCUS TOO MUCH ON HIM, I'M GOING TO HAVE TO FINALLY ADMIT SOME STUFF ABOUT MYSELF


BUT YOU'LL LOVE ME, WON'T YOU?


HUH...?

DEE...?

UR O— OKAY
IT'S A JOKE, IDIOT! DON'T TAKE EVERYTHING SO SERIOUSLY.
Come on, Bikky. Let's hit the sack

DORK!

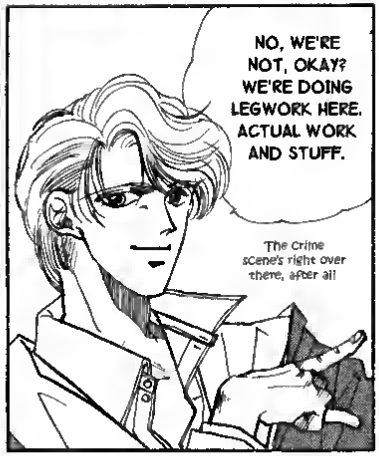
ALL RIGHT, WAIT HERE A SEC, OKAY?
OKAY.
YAY!
YOU WANT A HOT DOG OR SOMETHING?
They've got hamburgers, too
BIKKY.

OK!
Can you buy some juice, too?

IT'S NOT AN ACT. I JUST DON'T LIKE YOU.
WHAT'S UP WITH THE GOODY-GOODY ACT FOR RYO, HUH?

RYO... JUST TO CONFIRM. WE'RE NOT HERE TO HAVE FUN, CORRECT?

WE'RE OTECTING HIM INCE WE GOT SYNDICATE ION GOING ON MIGHT BE IN DANGER
ides, the chief is cool about all this.
THEN WHY THE HELL DIDN'T YOU LEAVE THE KID AT HOME?!

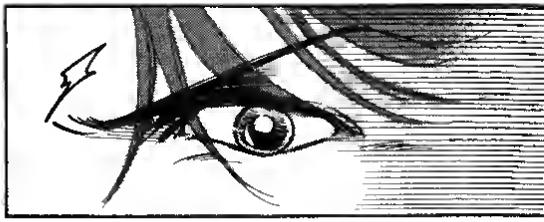

NO, WE'RE NOT, OKAY? WE'RE DOING LEGWORK HERE. ACTUAL WORK AND STUFF.
The crime scene's right over there, after all

YOU'RE IN LOVE WITH HIM, AREN'T YOU?
BESIDES, THOUGH, IT'S NOT LIKE HE'S YOURS TO PROTECT OR ANYTHING.
THAT'S PRETTY BIG TALK FROM A LOW-LIFE RUNT. "I'M GONNA PROTECT RYO." WHATEVER THAT'S SUPPOSED TO MEAN!
YOU SLEAZY FAG!! I'M GONNA PROTECT RYO!!
Shut your-
I'm going to protect him from people like you!
!!
WHAT THE HELL WAS THAT FOR, YOU MIDGET BABOOH?!
IT SEEMS LIKE YOU REALLY LIKE HIM, TOO.
.....
IT MIGHT HAVE TO DO WITH HIM ACTUALLY LIKING THEM OR SOMETHING... UNLIKE ME!
THEN AGAIN, HE WOULD BE THE TYPE TO BE LIKED BY KIDS, WOULDN'T HE?
BUT HE'S RIGHT. I KNOW I HAVEN'T KNOWN HIM LONG BUT... THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT HIM THAT'S SO SOOTHING.
I DON'T EVEN KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT HIM--BUT I'VE OPENED UP SO MUCH ALREADY. I'VE NEVER DONE THAT BEFORE. NEVER FELT LIKE THIS BEFORE WITH ANYONE.

YAAAHHH!!

AS IF.
COME BACK HERE, YOU LITTLE SNOT!

BIKKY!!
LEMME GO!! LEMME GO, YOU BASTARD!!



DEEII
HURRY IT THE HELL UP. BEFORE SOMEONE SEES US
WAKE UPII DEEII
DEEII DEEII
COME ON, KID.

WHAT THE HELL... HE WON'T LET GO.
THEN JUST GRAB HIM ALONG WITH THE KID!

FAKE

IF I HAD TO PUT A VALUE ON IT, IT'D BE 100 MIL EASY. NOT TO MENTION IF THE STUFF I GOT FROM BEIRUT FALLS INTO THE COPS' HANDS, THEN I MIGHT AS WELL PUT FLASHING LIGHTS UP AROUND THIS PLACE TO POINT ME OUT.
ALL RIGHT, KIO, LISTEN UP. THE STUFF YOUR OADDY FILCHED FROM US WASN'T A LOT, BUT IT'S TOP O THE LINE, UNCUT SHIT YOU KNOW?

SO WHY DON'T YOU BE A GOOD BOY AND FREAKIN' FEEL A BIT SORRY FOR ALL THE SHIT YOU'VE CAUSED ME, HUH?!

WHY, YOU LITTLE PIECE OF SHIT! I'M BEING NICE TO YOU AND THAT'S HOW YOU REPAY ME?!

I DON'T SEE IT, BOSS.

AND WE DIDN'T FIND ANYTHING AT THE KID'S APARTMENT, EITHER.

THAT WOULD ALMOST BE FUNNY EXCEPT... YOUR ARM'S REALLY BUSTED UP.
I'M A BOY, OF COURSE I AM. WHAT'S A BROKEN BONE...OR TWO ...OR THREE?
stop acting so tough

Y...YOU OKAY, DEE?
JESUS..

DEE!!

AN, JUST GIVE IT UP, KID. ABOUT THE STUFF RICHARD WAS TALKING ABOUT.
W_WHAT ABOUT?
AND BY THE WAY_YOU STRAIGHT UP LIED TO RYO, DIDN'T YOU?
USA

THAT SOUNDS LIKE AN INVITATION TO ME!!
WHY DON'T YOU PICK ON SOMEONE YOUR OWN SIZE, YOU SUPER-SIZED SON OF A BITCH!

WHAT DO YOU EXPECT TO GAIN BY KEEPING QUIET, NUN? YOU THINK YOU CAN AVENGE HIM OR SOMETHING?
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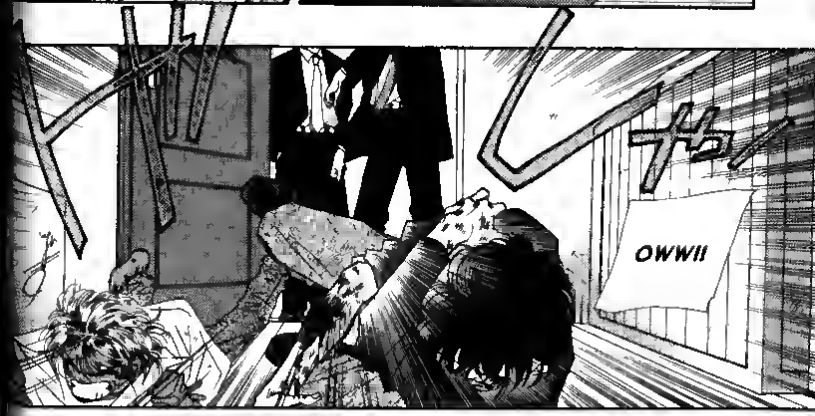
...HE GAVE IT TO YOU, DIDN'T HE?
YOUR FATHER-


OWW!!

GoGo Bikky!!
Have a Nice Day!
Nooow!!
His favorite Jacket!
Bikky!!
Owww!!
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Dee!!
Oh, sure
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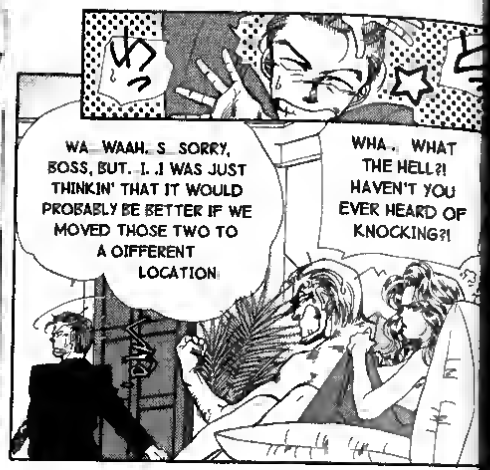
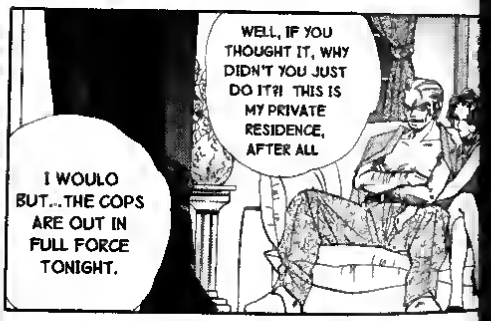

WA...WAAH...S...SORRY, BOSS, BUT...I...I WAS JUST THINKIN' THAT IT WOULD PROBABLY BE BETTER IF WE MOVED THOSE TWO TO A DIFFERENT LOCATION.
WHA... WHAT THE HELL?! HAVEN'T YOU EVER HEARD OF KNOCKING?!


I WOULD BUT...THE COPS ARE OUT IN FULL FORCE TONIGHT.
WELL, IF YOU THOUGHT IT, WHY DIDN'T YOU JUST DO IT?! THIS IS MY PRIVATE RESIDENCE, AFTER ALL

...PLANTED A BOMB WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS.
ACCORDING TO THE TV, IT SEEMS SOME TERRORIST HAS...

...AHH SHIT, FORGET IT. RIGHT NOW, IF WE CON'T FIGURE OUT HOW TO GET OUT OF THIS MESS, MY ARM WILL BE THE LEAST OF OUR PROBLEMS.
IT'S NOT LIKE I CON'T UNDERSTAND HOW YOU FEEL BUT...

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BOSS!

REALLY? I THOUGHT HE JUST LOOKED RELIABLE BUT WAS KIND OF OFF ON MOST THINGS.
TH...THAT RYO... HE SEEMS A BIT OUT OF IT, BUT HE'S PRETTY RELIABLE, YOU KNOW. HA HA HA!
I'm sure he'll figure it out and come rescue us
You sure about that?

THE ATTIC, HUH? BUT I GUESS THIS'LL DO...
YES, SIR
All right, but don't start complaining tomorrow then
LOOK, JUST GET OUT OF HERE. WE'LL TAKE CARE OF 'EM TOMORROW OR SOMETHING TOMORROW!
O...OKAY, OKAY.
Can't this wait 'til later, baby?
HEY, RICHARD
LET'S SEE...IF I HAVE IT GO OFF IN TWO HOURS...THAT SHOULD GIVE ME PLENTY OF TIME TO FIND DEE AND BIKKY BY THEN. I JUST HOPE IT GOES OFF LIKE IT SHOULD.
GOOD. HE'S STILL BREATHING.
Whew.
!?
BANG
BANG BANG
AND I HOPE THEY'RE BOTH OKAY...
CLICK
SECURITY'S PRETTY THIN HERE, THANKS TO IT BEING HIS PRIVATE RESIDENCE.
ARRGGH

EASIER SAID THAN DONE, DON'T YOU THINK?
I'M SO GLAD I FOUND YOU GUYS SO SOON WHAT DO YOU SAY WE BLAZE OUT OF HERE, HUH?
I SET UP A BOMB IN THE ATTIC. IT'S SUPPOSED TO GO OFF TWO HOURS FROM NOW...AT 10 O'CLOCK.
SHHH! SHHHH!!
RY!
YOU'D MAKE A PRETTY GOOD BUDDY YOURSELF, WOULDN'T YOU?
MY OLD ARMY BUDDY TAUGHT ME HOW TO MAKE THEM A WHILE BACK. AND I GOT THIS ADDRESS AFTER I RAN THE PLATES OFF THAT CAR THEY TOOK YOU GUYS AWAY IN.
WHERE THE HELL DID YOU GET A BOMB?!
...IN A HOUSE OF THIS SIZE? IT'LL PROBABLY TAKE HALF OF IT DOWN WHEN IT BLOWS.
IT'S A PRETTY CRUDE BOMB BUT...
ARE YOU GUYS EVEN LISTENING TO US?!
DAMN YOU ALL!!
DON'T TELL ME TO SHUT UP!
WHY WOULD WE HAVE FOOD?
Tap
SHHH
SHUDDAP!! SHUT THE HELL UP, YOU IDIOT!!
BECAUSE IF YOU ARE, YOU BETTER BRING US SOMETHING TO EAT AND HURRY THE HELL UP WITH IT, YOU BASTARDS!! WE'RE STARVING IN HERE!!
Dammit dammit dammit dammit!
Don't make me come out there!!
Guard
WHAT IS IT, BIKK...
Tap

GUESS YOU WERE WORRIED ABOUT ME, HUH?

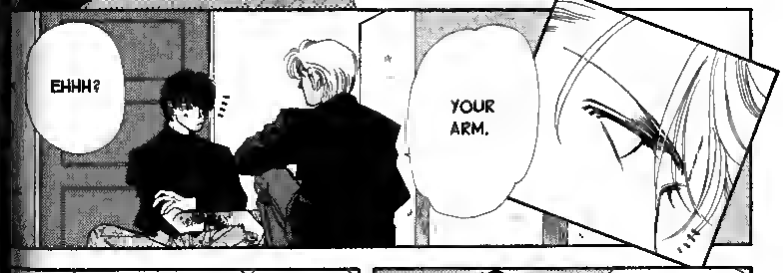
Badump
HUH...?

AHH, JUST LEAVE THE DAMN THING ALONE IT'LL HEAL BY ITSELF.
WHOA!!
You!

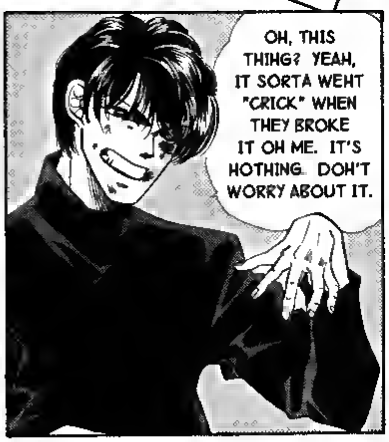
YEAH, I GUESS SO.

OF COURSE I WAS. IT'S NATURAL TO WORRY ABOUT YOUR PARTNER.

ALSO, BEFORE I CAME OUT HERE, I CALLED UP THE PRECINCT PRETENDING TO BE A TERRORIST SO...
...THE ENTIRE CITY'S SWARMING WITH COPS ON ALERT. IF THIS PLACE BLOWS UP, THEY'LL BE RIGHT ON TOP OF IT... WE CAN ESCAPE IN THE CONFUSION.


EHHH?
YOUR ARM.

WHAT DO YOU MEAN, DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT?!
...OF COURSE I WILL! YOUR ARM'S BROKEN DIDN'T YOU TRY TO SPLINT IT AT ALL?! THAT'S BASIC FIRST AID, DEE!


OH, THIS THING? YEAH, IT SORTA WENT "CRICK" WHEN THEY BROKE IT ON ME. IT'S NOTHING. DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.

I TOLD YOU HE WAS OUT OF IT.
THE PLAN WAS TO RESCUE US, NOT KILL US!!
Didn't you think this out at all?
I DIDN'T THINK YOU'D BE RIGHT UNDER MY NOSE!!
YOU IDIOT!
SHUT UP... THE BOTH OF YOU!
Y...YEAH
O...OKAY.
LET'S GET THE HELL OUT OF HERE.
OUT OF MY WAYYY!!

IN TWO HOURS.
ALL... ALL RIGHT, THEN. WE MOVE OUT AT 10. GOT IT?
OKAY.
Did I ask you to jump into the blow?
And by the way, whose fault is it that my arm is broken, huh?
You are so dead once we get out of here, kid.
THE BOMB...
I DON'T GET IT. WHAT'S GONE WRONG ALL OF A SUDDEN? WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR MASTER PLAN?
W...WAIT, DEE! WE CAN'T WAIT THAT LONG. LET'S MOVE OUT NOW!!
WHAT IS?!
IT'S IN THE ATTIC RIGHT UPSTAIRS!
FOR WHAT?
10 O'CLOCK WILL BE TOO LATE.

WHAT THE..?
DEE!! WAIT!!
WHAT WE NEED TO DO IS MOVE OUT RIGHT BEFORE THE EXPLOSION
AND GET AS FAR AWAY AS WE CAN FROM THIS SPOT. THEN, WE NEED TO STALL THEM SOMEHOW.
GRAB ON TIGHT, BIKKY.
AEEGGHH.

...AND GO BACK INSIDE QUIETLY, OKAY?
NOW, WHY DON'T YOU THROW YOUR GUN DOWN...
CAN'T HAVE YOU THINKING IT'S SO EASY TO ESCAPE FROM HERE, CAN I?
GAME OVER, BOYS.
NO WAY.
CHECK IT OUT, ASSHOLES!!
Are you losers quaking in your boots yet?
NOW, IF YOU GUYS DON'T BACK OFF, THEN I'LL SET IT OFF. UNDERSTAND?!
LISTEN UP GOOD. WE'VE PLANTED AN EXPLOSIVE SOMEWHERE IN YOUR BELOVED HOUSE. AND THIS HERE IS THE TRIGGER FOR IT.
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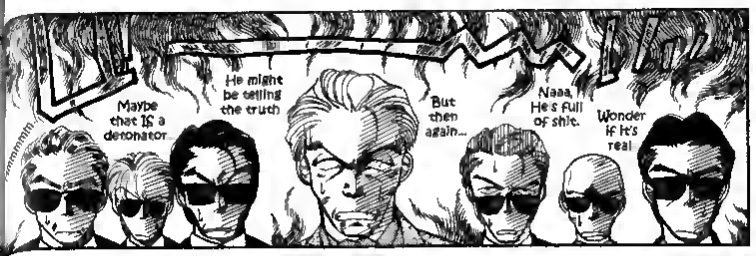
Maybe that IS a detonator...
He might be telling the truth
But then again...
Naaa, He's full of shit.
Wonder if it's real

DOH!!

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TRUST ME, OKAY? WHY ELSE DO YOU THINK I WANTED US TO STALL 'EM?

ACTUALLY I WAS REFERRING TO THEIR COMPLETE LOOK OF SUSPICION OVER YOUR LITTLE CHARADE.
DON'T WORRY, IT'S JUST AN ORDINARY PEN. THE SCARIEST THING ABOUT IT IS IF I CLICK IT, THE POINTY PART COMES OUT IS ALL.
DEE!!!
DIDN'T YOU THINK THEY'D FIGURE THIS OUT IN, LIKE, THREE SECONDS?!

Don't think you can get away freakin' us out like that, punk!! You're dead!!
GET 'EM!!
TRYING TO TRICK US, EH?! CAN'T HAVE THAT, CAN WE!
YOU SCARED THE PISS OUT OF ME!!
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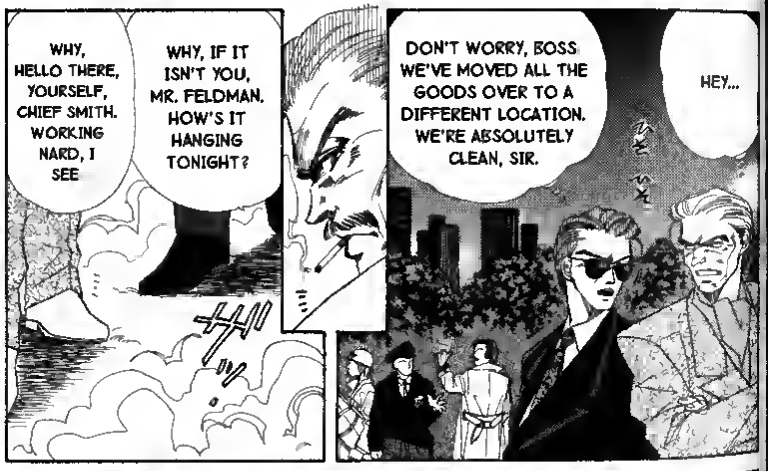
WE'RE HERE TO INVESTIGATE A POSSIBLE TERRORIST-RELATED ACTIVITY THAT OCCURRED AT YOUR HOUSE?
WE'RE FROM THE 27TH PRECINCT.


WHY, HELLO THERE, YOURSELF, CHIEF SMITH. WORKING NARD, I SEE
WHY, IF IT ISN'T YOU, MR. FELDMAN. HOW'S IT HANGING TONIGHT?
DON'T WORRY, BOSS WE'VE MOVED ALL THE GOODS OVER TO A DIFFERENT LOCATION. WE'RE ABSOLUTELY CLEAN, SIR.
HEY...

NOW WE'LL BE ABLE TO DEVOTE ALL OUR TIME TO SEARCHING YOUR HOUSE FROM CORNER TO CORNER, RAT HOLE TO RAT HOLE.
WELL, LET'S JUST SAY BUSINESS WAS A LITTLE SLOW AT THE PRECINCT.
Wa ha ha!
BUT WHAT A SURPRISE. I NEVER THOUGHT TO SEE THE CHIEF OUT AND ABOUT FOR SUCH A MINOR DISTURBANCE LIKE THIS.
I'LL GET YOU ONE DAY, YOU LITTLE GORILLA BASTARD!
OLD MAN, GET YOUR LARD ASS OFF MY PROPERTY!

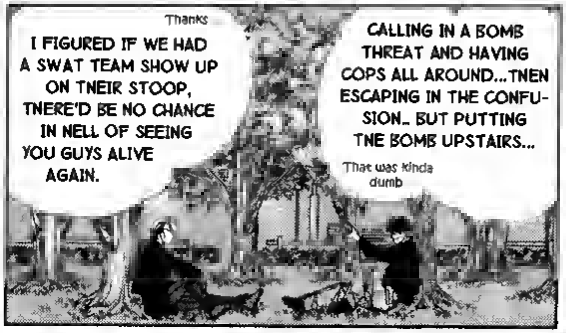
DEE... RYO!
CELEBRATE LATER, RUN NOW...
...OR ELSE WE'LL GET CAUGHT BY THE CHIEF OUT HERE.
OH, I GET IT! IT'S 10 O'CLOCK!!

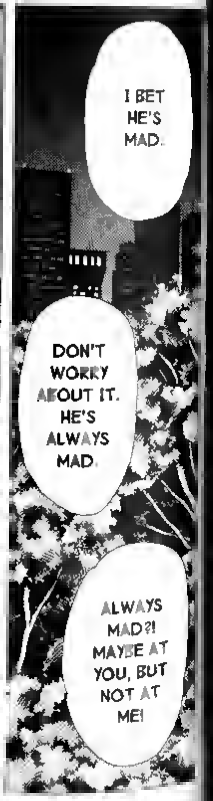
I KNOW...
I... I HAVE TO STAY.

?
GOOD LUCK, KID.
Pat
THANKS.

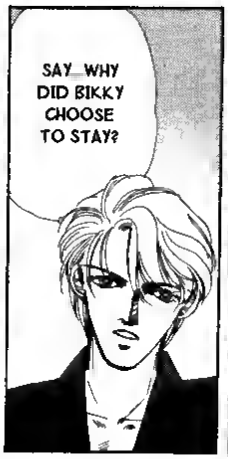
OH, I SEE... SEPARATED, HUH?
WE GOT SEPARATED ALONG THE WAY.
There's no so dead.
Good answer, if I do say so myself

BY THE WAY, KID, WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR BODY-GUARDS, NUH?


Thanks
I FIGURED IF WE HAD A SWAT TEAM SHOW UP ON THEIR STOOP, THERE'D BE NO CHANCE IN HELL OF SEEING YOU GUYS ALIVE AGAIN.
CALLING IN A BOMB THREAT AND HAVING COPS ALL AROUND...THEN ESCAPING IN THE CONFUSION.. BUT PUTTING THE BOMB UPSTAIRS...
That was kinda dumb


I BET HE'S MAD.
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT. HE'S ALWAYS MAD.
ALWAYS MAD?! MAYBE AT YOU, BUT NOT AT ME!

..BEFORE HE DIED, HE GAVE EVERYTHING HE HAD TO BIKKY FOR SAFE KEEPING.
HIS DAD WAS SKIMMING DRUGS FROM FELDMAN..


SAY...WHY DID BIKKY CHOOSE TO STAY?

..WHERE THIS BOY WAS BEING HELD.
WE FOUND THIS IN THE ROOM..
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CHIEF.

OH, DID YOU NOW...
Grin
!!

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Don't think I'll ever forget this, you little brats! I'll get you and everyone who--Hey, are you ignoring me? DAMMIT!
OKAY.
ALL RIGHT, BOY, COME OVER HERE A SECOND. JUST GOTTA ASK YOU A FEW QUESTIONS.
Quiet, back there.
WHAT A SURPRISE...!
WHY, IT'S COCAINE?
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YOU SURE ABOUT THAT?
TNAT'S NOT TRUE. I NATE KIDS, AFTER ALL.
SOMEWNERE ALONG THE LINE, YOU'VE LEARNED MORE ABOUT BIKKY TNAN I HAVE.
IN THE END HE DECIDED THAT THE BEST WAY TO GET BACK AT FELDMAN WAS TO HAVE THE COPS HANDLE HIM. YOU KNOW THE REST.
HUH?
BUT I LIKE YOU.
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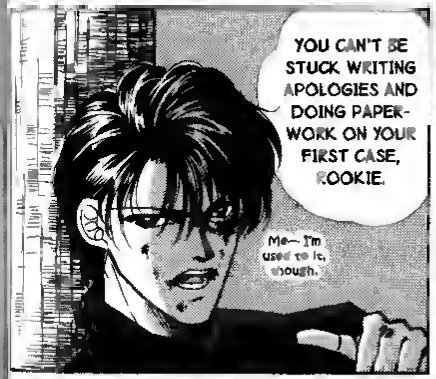
WNY ELSE WOULD HE HAVE MADE AN EFFORT TO PICK 'EM UP EVEN IN THE MIDDLE OF A FIRE FIGHT?
HE MUST HAVE HIDDEN THE STASH IN THE BOTTOM OF HIS SKATES SOMEWHERE.
ANYHOW... HE'S NOT THE SMARTEST KID...BUT HE MUST HAVE THOUGHT LONG AND HARD...
...ABOUT HOW TO AVENGE HIS FATHER.

I AM YOUR PARTHER AFTER ALL. AREN'T I?

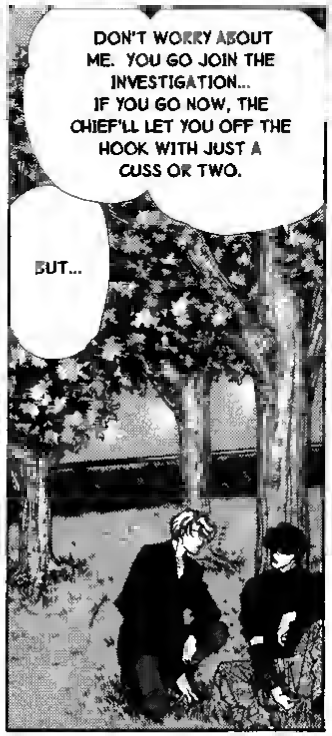
...HERE, GIVE ME YOUR HAND.
COME ON, LET'S GO...

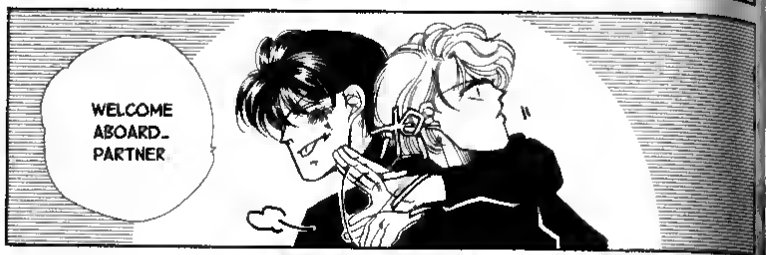
A ..AT ANY RATE, WE BETTER GET YOU TO THE HOSPITAL.

THE WAY HE SAYS THINGS LIKE THAT_ I CAN'T HELP BUT THINK HE MEANS IT TO SOME DEGREE AND_ OAMH IF IT OOESN'T AFFECT ME..
AAH...O..KAY THEN...HA HA. YOU'RE MAKING ME BLUSH, MAN. TH ..THANKS... I THINK.
Doh. my eyes are totally giving me away

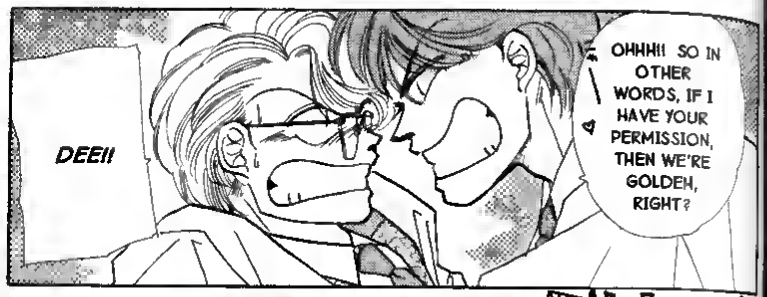

YOU CAN'T BE STUCK WRITING APOLOGIES AND DOING PAPER-WORK ON YOUR FIRST CASE, ROOKIE.
Me— I'm used to it, though.

IT'S HOT OKAY.
IT'S OKAY. I OON'T MIHO.
IT IS!


DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME. YOU GO JOIN THE INVESTIGATION... IF YOU GO NOW, THE CHIEF'LL LET YOU OFF THE HOOK WITH JUST A CUSS OR TWO.
BUT...



Looks fine to me.


DEE!!
OHHH!! SO IN OTHER WORDS, IF I HAVE YOUR PERMISSION, THEN WE'RE GOLDEN, RIGHT?

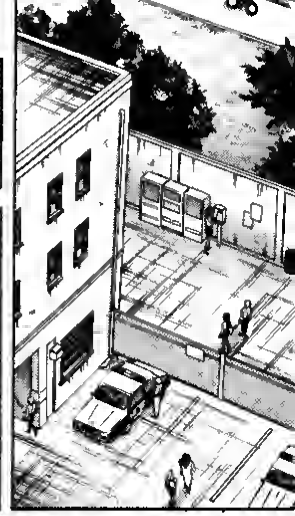
DOH'T TOUCH RYO LIKE THAT, YOU BASTARD.

NOHE OF YOUR FREAKIN' BUSIHESS, IS IT?
WHAT THE HELL WAS THAT FOR, YOU LITTLE SNOT?
YO

I'M ALL ALOHE... AHD, I DO WAHT HIM TO GO TO SCHOOL, SO...
Yup.
BESIDES, I'M GOHHA GO LIVE WITH RYO FROM NOW OH.

YO, RYO!

WHAT?!
RYO? AHYBODY HOME?



WHO ELSE?!
Yes, of course it's your fault!!
HUH? YOU'RE IMPLYIHG IT'S MY FAULT?

WELL, WHOSE FAULT DO YOU THINK THAT IS?!
WHAT'S UP WITH YOU TODAY? FELL OUT OF THE WROHG SIDE OF BED OR SOMETHIHG?

BUT IF YOU HAVEN'T HOTICED, WE'RE BOTH MEH! AHD...YOU DIDH'T EVEN ASK MY PERMISSIOH!!
I hope not!!
You won't die from it.
WHATEVER... IT WAS JUST A KISS, OKAY?

FAKE act. 2

TAKE THAT!!
I'M TOTALLY AGAINST TNIS!! NO FRIGGIN' WAY!! UN, UH, NOPE, NOPE, NOPE! NO FAIR! I'M TOTALLY JEALOUS!
Jealous?
GUESS YOU KNOW WNO'S TNE BOSS NOW, NUH? LOSER!!
Shut the hell up!!
BIKKY... YOU LITTLE!!
PBBHT.

see you again!?

FAKE
act.2

...HOW'D YOU SAVE ALL THIS UP?
HOLY...
LEAVE ME ALONE, WILL YOU?!
HEY!
Wha?!
I DON'T KNOW— GO ON VACATION MAYBE? I HAVEN'T DECIDED YET.
WHAT ARE YOU GONNA DO WITH ALL THAT, HUH?
THERE'S A CERTAIN HAPPINESS ONE ATTAINS FROM POSITIVE BANK STATEMENTS, OKAY? SOMEONE LIKE YOU WHO LIVES PAYCHECK TO PAYCHECK WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND.
YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO USE MONEY AS SOON AS YOU GET IT.
Oh, shut up. It makes me happy, okay?
The fact you derive enjoyment from a bank statement is kinda sad to me, geek.
BUT.. THERE IS THE COST OF HAVING BIKKY AROUND, AND THEN I HAVE TO SAVE FOR HIS FUTURE TOO, JUST IN CASE, SO..
And then there's

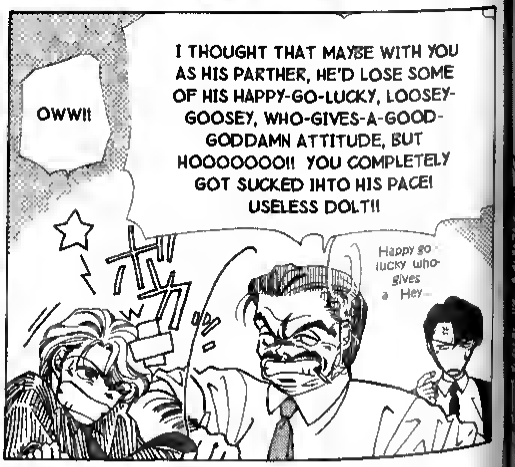
FAKE

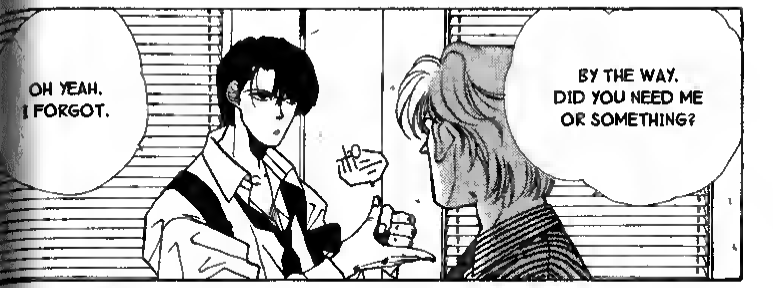
YOUR THIRTY MINUTES IS MY THREE HOURS!! CAPICE?!
OH COME NOW, CHIEF. WHAT'S THIRTY MIHUTES BETWEEN FRIENDS?

HOW THE HELL LONG WERE YOU PLANNING OH MAKING ME WAIT, HUH?! YOU UHGRATEFUL DICK-HEADS!!

AND YOU, RANDY! I'M BEYOHD DISAPPOIHTED WITH YOU!
CH..CHIEF, ..CALM DOWH, HOW, SIR
Let's talk this out like civilized people

OH, YEAH
AT AHY RATE, CHIEF, WHAT DID YOU WANT TO SEE US ABOUT?
Because I may be a loose goose but I'm a damn busy loose goose


OWW!!
I THOUGHT THAT MAYBE WITH YOU AS HIS PARTHER, HE'D LOSE SOME OF HIS HAPPY-GO-LUCKY, LOOSEY-GOOSEY, WHO-GIVES-A-GOOD-GODDAMN ATTITUDE, BUT HOOOOOOO!! YOU COMPLETELY GOT SUCKED IHTO HIS PACE! USELESS DOLT!!
Happy go-lucky who-gives a Hey


OH YEAH. I FORGOT.
BY THE WAY. DID YOU NEED ME OR SOMETHING?

It wasn't important to me so
Come on, what are you waiting for?
IF IT WAS SOMETHING IMPORTANT LIKE THAT, WHY THE HELL DIDN'T YOU SAY SOMETHING SOONER?!

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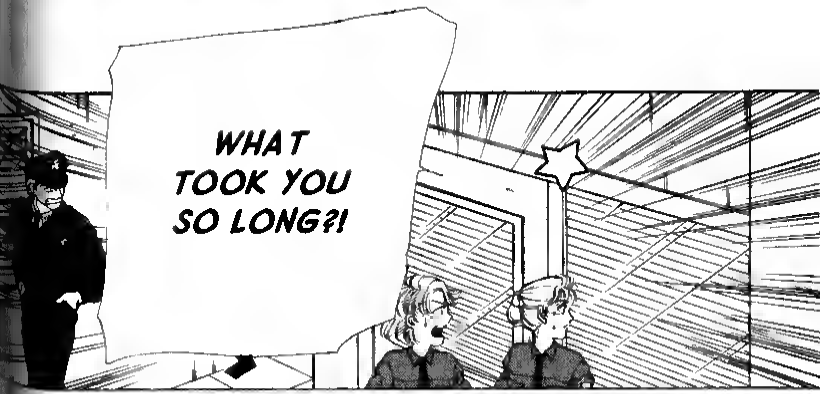
THE CHIEF HEEDED TO SEE US. ASAP.


WHAT TOOK YOU SO LONG?!

He's completely right.
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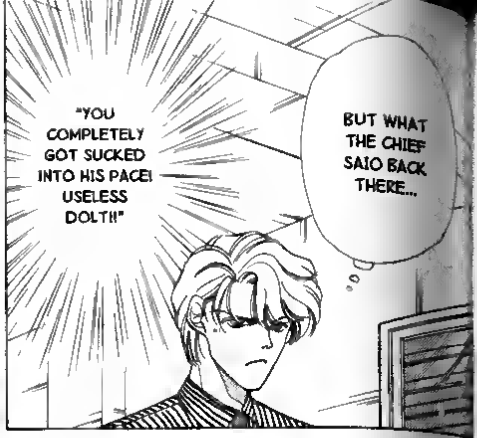
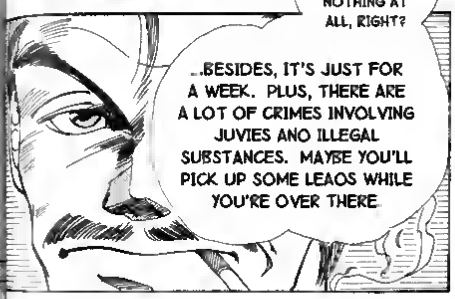
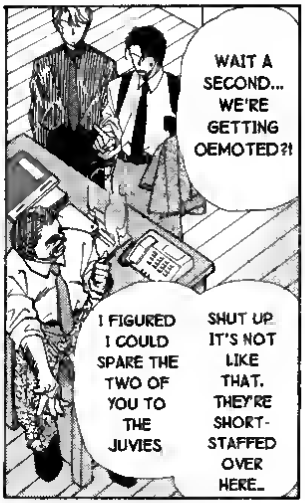
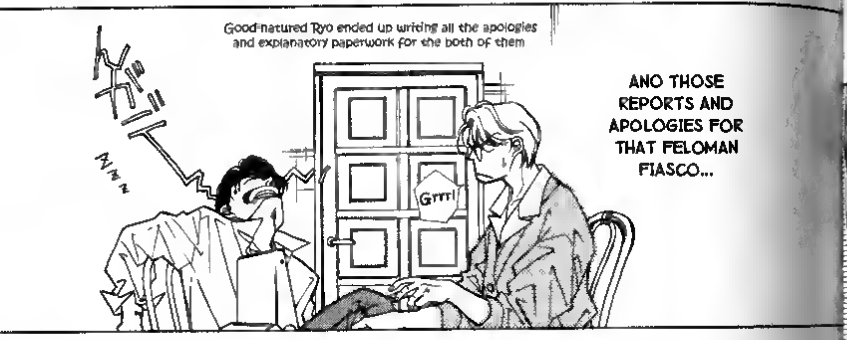

"YOU COMPLETELY GOT SUCKED INTO HIS PACE! USELESS DOLT!!"
BUT WHAT THE CHIEF SAID BACK THERE...

THE JUVENILE CRIMES DIVISION?!

I think so.
By idiots, I assume he means us.
THEY NEEDED HELP, AND I OFFERED YOU TWO. BETTER TWO COMPLETE IDIOTS THAN NOTHING AT ALL, RIGHT?


...BESIDES, IT'S JUST FOR A WEEK. PLUS, THERE ARE A LOT OF CRIMES INVOLVING JUVIES AND ILLEGAL SUBSTANCES. MAYBE YOU'LL PICK UP SOME LEADS WHILE YOU'RE OVER THERE.

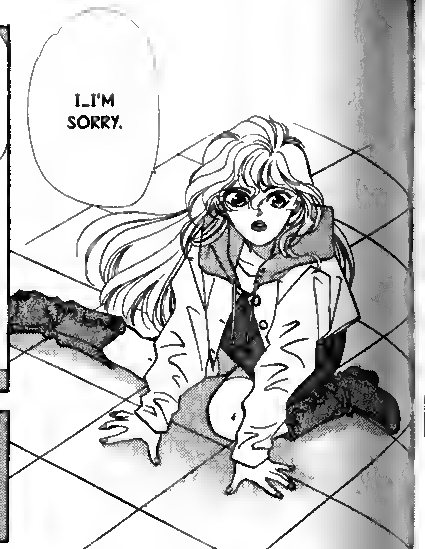

WAIT A SECOND... WE'RE GETTING DEMOTED?!
I FIGURED I COULD SPARE THE TWO OF YOU TO THE JUVIES.
SHUT UP. IT'S NOT LIKE THAT. THEY'RE SHORT-STAFFED OVER HERE...

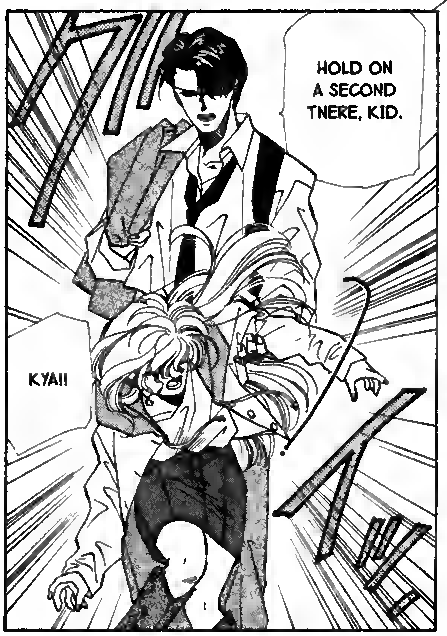

Good-natured Ryo ended up writing all the apologies and explanatory paperwork for the both of them
Grrr!
AND THOSE REPORTS AND APOLOGIES FOR THAT FELONAN FIASCO...

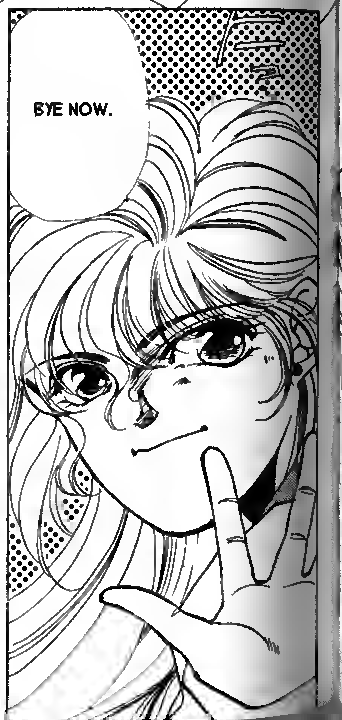
URGH.

DAMMIT... THIS IS LAME. AN ENTIRE WEEK SURROUNDED BY KIDS?!
I FEEL LIKE I'M GOING THROUGH A CORPORATE ORIENTATION FOR NEW EMPLOYEES...

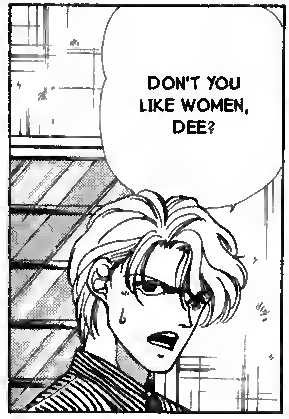
I'M FINE. TNANKS.
OH, DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT. ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, THOUGN?


I..I'M SORRY.

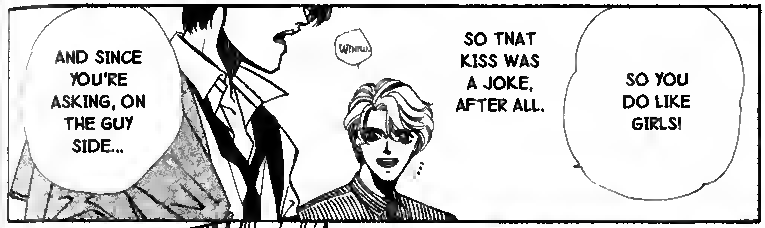

HOLD ON A SECOND TNERE, KID.
KYA!!


BYE NOW.

MMMM, OF COURSE I DO. BUT SHE'S GOTTA BE PERFECT. NOT TOO FAT OR TOO SKINNY, AND A MEGA BABE, TOO.
Oh, and preferably over 18.
Oh, and she'S got to be the equivalent of me in hotness.

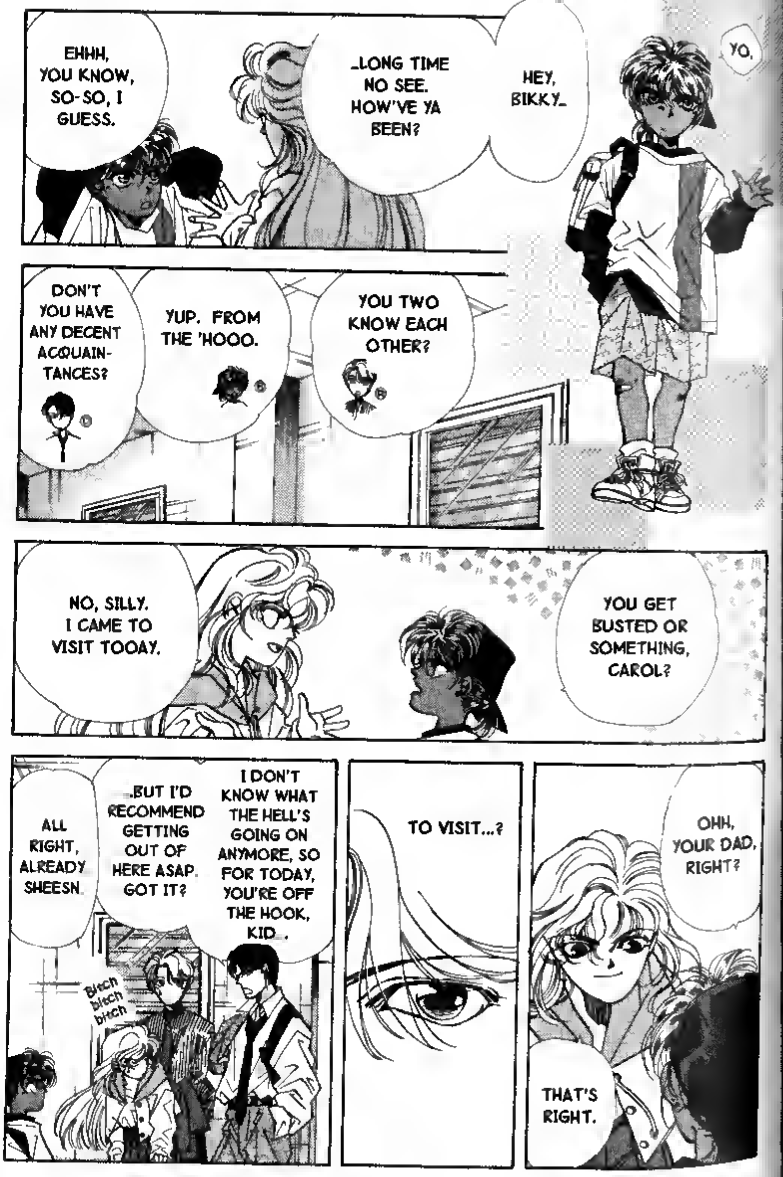

DON'T YOU LIKE WOMEN, DEE?

WNAT?
HE'S GOT TO BE GAY..


AND SINCE YOU'RE ASKING, ON THE GUY SIDE...
Whew.
SO TNAT KISS WAS A JOKE, AFTER ALL.
SO YOU DO LIKE GIRLS!

KYAH.
WHOA.

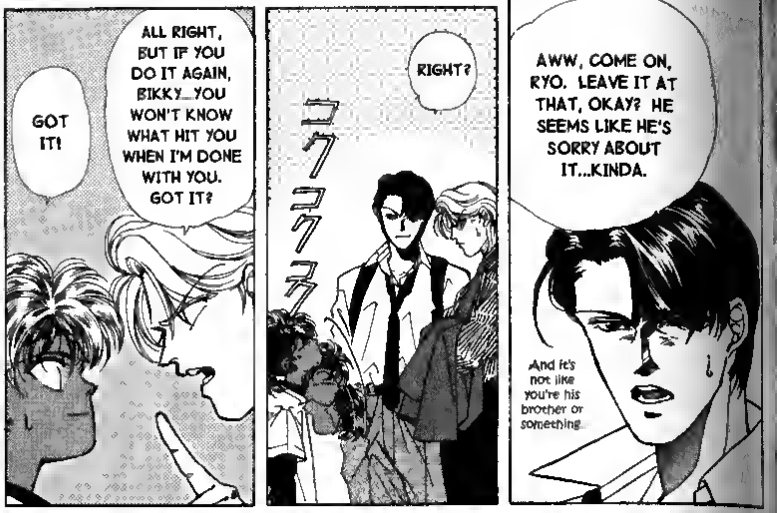
AND JUST WHO TNE HELL WAS ASKING TNAT?
OR NOT.
IT'S YOU


EHHH, YOU KNOW, SO-SO, I GUESS.
_LONG TIME NO SEE. HOW'VE YA BEEN?
HEY, BIKKY_
YO.
DON'T YOU HAVE ANY DECENT ACQUAINTANCES?
YUP. FROM THE 'HOOD.
YOU TWO KNOW EACH OTHER?
NO, SILLY. I CAME TO VISIT TODAY.
YOU GET BUSTED OR SOMETHING, CAROL?
ALL RIGHT, ALREADY SHEESH.
_BUT I'D RECOMMEND GETTING OUT OF HERE ASAP. GOT IT?
I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE HELL'S GOING ON ANYMORE, SO FOR TODAY, YOU'RE OFF THE HOOK, KID_.
Blech blech blech
TO VISIT...?
OHH, YOUR DAD, RIGHT?
THAT'S RIGHT.

HEY, THAT'S MY WALLET!
WELL THEN, WHAT THE HELL IS THIS, HUH?
YOU GOT BALLS TRYING TO DO A LITTLE WORK AT A PRECINCT OF ALL PLACES.
OWW!! YOU'RE HURTING ME! LET GO!
OEE!
I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT! LET ME GO!!
IT WASN'T ME, IDIOT!! IT WAS THE LITTLE KID! THE KID!!
You want me to smack you up or something?
And you're absolutely shameless by the way. I swear to God you'd do anything to get into my pants
JUST BECAUSE YOU'RE MY PARTNER DOESN'T GIVE YOU THE RIGHT TO PICK MY POCKETS, OEE!
NMM? CAROL--?
_IS THAT YOU!?

HE'S IN A BAD WAY FROM WHAT I HEAR.
HE GOT NABBED FOR A BANK ROBBERY A WHILE BACK.. BUT HE WAS NOSPITAL-IZED PRETTY SOON AFTER TNAT WITH LUNG CANCER.
I SEE. SHE'S STILL SO YOUNG...IT MUST BE HARD ON HER...
NOLD IT!!
GAAHHN!!
BY THE WAY, BIKKY...
.. WNAT ARE YOU OOING NERE, HUH?
In the juvie division of the PD, no less!

BUT YOU LOOKED SO OUT OF IT. I COULON'T RESIST.
OH, AND OFFICER? I'M REALLY SORRY ABOUT YOUR WALLET.
THANKS FOR TNE HEADS UP. I'LL TRY TO BE MORE CAREFUL FROM NOW ON.
HEY, BIKKY... ...WHAT DID SHE MEAN BY VISITING, HUH?
HER FATHER'S A PATIENT THERE.
YEAH.
YOU KNOW THAT POLICE HOSPITAL NEXT DOOR?
BUH-BYE NOW.


ALL RIGHT, BUT IF YOU DO IT AGAIN, BIKKY...YOU WON'T KNOW WHAT HIT YOU WHEN I'M DONE WITH YOU. GOT IT?
GOT IT!
RIGHT?
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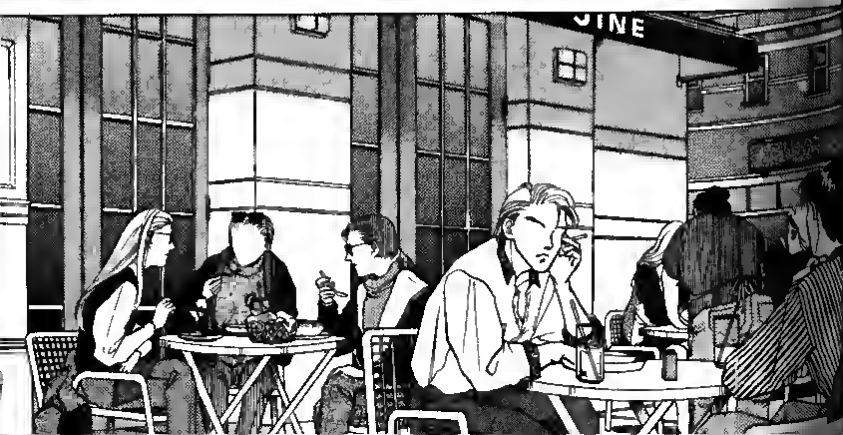
AWW, COME ON, RYO. LEAVE IT AT THAT, OKAY? HE SEEMS LIKE HE'S SORRY ABOUT IT...KINDA.
And it's not like you're his brother or something.

YOU KNOW?
Because it's amazingly annoying to listen to your bullshit
NEXT TIME DON'T GET CAUGHT, KID.


SO WHAT WAS IT?
N...NOTHING, MAN. HONEST.
WHAT'D YA DO, HUH?
THAT'S LAME, KID. YOU GOT CAUGHT FOR THAT?! COME ON NOW.
SO MAYBE I SNAGGED SOME WHEELS OFF SOME BIKES...
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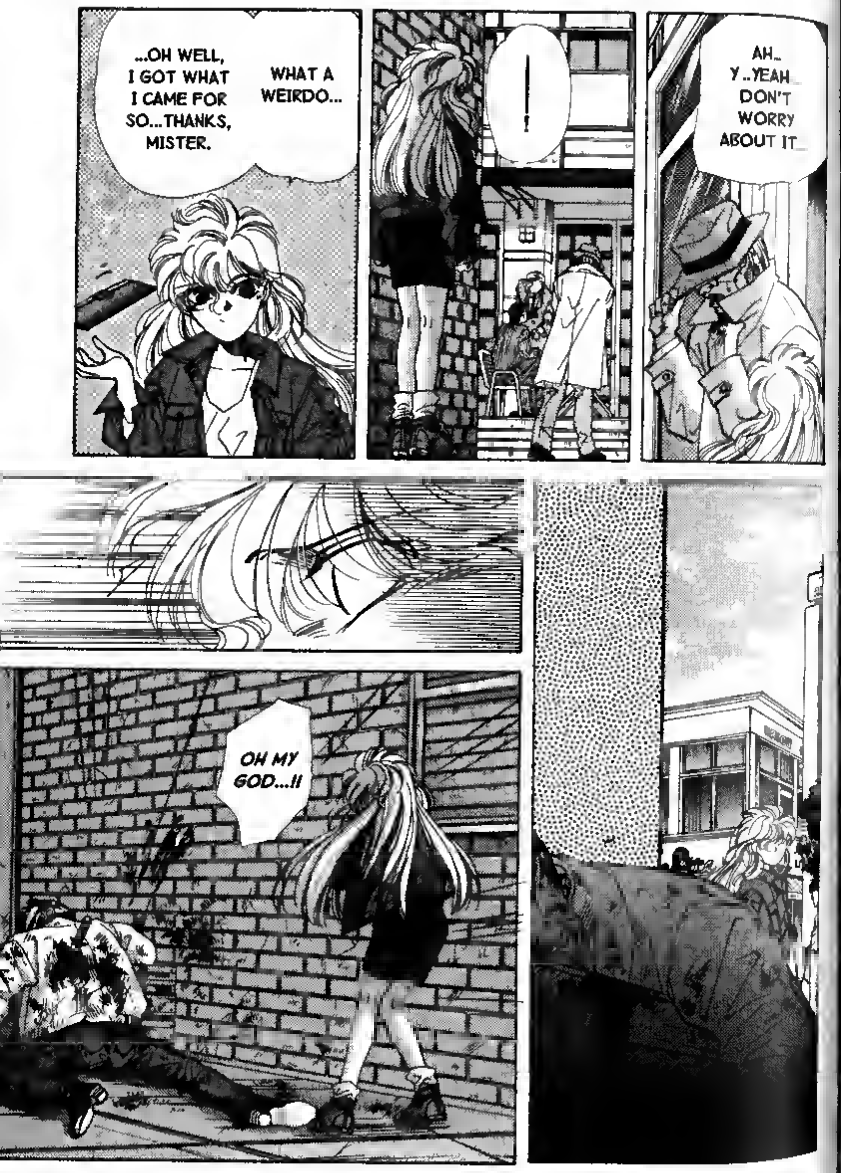
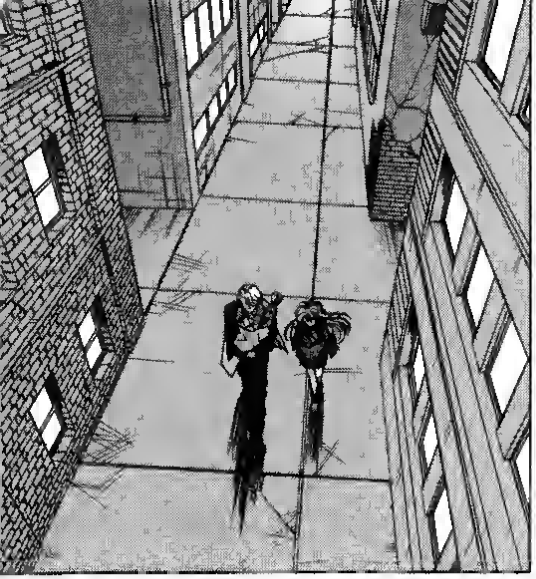
BIKKY...
R... RYO...?!
Oh, Oh!
Woah woahh I'm sorry!!
SO HOW MANY BIKES DID YOU DO, HUH?
SHUT THE HELL UP. IF IT WAS JUST ONE BIKE, I'D STILL BE OUT THERE, TRUST ME.
EVER THOUGHT ABOUT POURING THAT INTELLECT OF YOURS INTO A MORE LEGAL PASTIME?
THIRTY.
It's a personal best for me.
Don't get so cocky, kid.

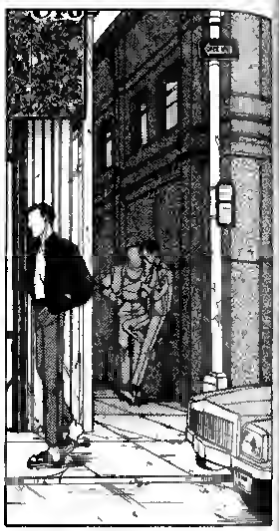

...OH WELL, I GOT WHAT I CAME FOR SO...THANKS, MISTER.
WHAT A WEIRDO...
!
AH.. Y..YEAH.. DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT..
OH MY GOD...!!

!!
KYAH!
I'M SO SORRY!

HE. HE'S D...DEAD...
OHMIGOSH. THAT MAN JUST NOW...
KEEP QUIET IF YOU KNOW WHAT'S GOOD FOR YOU!!
IT'S GONE?!
FOUR SEASONS SHOPPING CENTER
NO RIGHT TURN
THAT GIRL!!

WAAHH!!
..AND I'LL LET YOU GO, OKAY?
JUST GIVE BACK WHAT BELONGS TO ME..
OFFICER!!





UNDER-
STOOD!
ALL RIGHT, WHEN I GIVE YOU THE GO, DIVE OVER INTO THAT ALLEY, OKAY?

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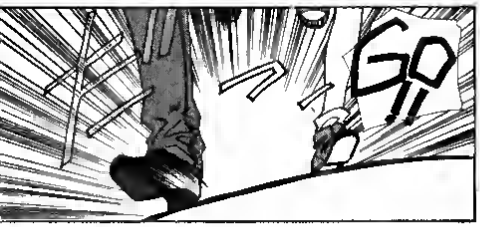

GO!

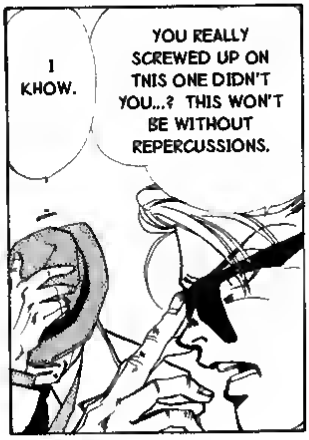
YEAN, I NOTICED...
WE'RE BEING FOLLOWED.

CAROL!

YOU... YOU'RE THAT GIRL FROM YESTERDAY...

ALL RIGHT. LEAVE THE REST TO US.
...I DON'T KNOW WHO THE GUY WITH HER IS.
THAT'S THE GIRL...

THANKS.
COME ON, I'LL TAKE YOU DOWN THERE MYSELF.
I CALLED IN TO THE PRECINCT, SO EVERYTHING SHOULD BE SET BY THE TIME WE GET THERE.


I KNOW.
YOU REALLY SCREWED UP ON THIS ONE DIDN'T YOU...? THIS WON'T BE WITHOUT REPERCUSSIONS.

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Stop!!
WHAT THE HELL HAVE YOU BEEN UP TO, HUH? RYO?
RUN!!
I'M OFF DUTY TODAY!
AREN'T YOU GONNA FIRE BACK?!
I LEFT IT AT HOME!
YOU AT LEAST HAVE YOUR GUN WITH YOU, RIGHT?!
YOU DORK!!

FAKE

IT WAS A COINCIDENCE. A COIHCIDENCE, OKAY? I HEARD THE SHOTS AND CAME TO SEE WHAT WAS GOIHG ON.
I'm not psychic, you idiot.
You're getting me all teary
DEE?!
HOW DID YOU KHOW WE WERE HERE?! WAY TO GO, PARTNER!!
I'LL EXPLAIN EVERYTHING LATER. FOR NOW, WE'VE GOT TO GET HER SOME-PLACE SAFE.
OKAY.
HMM?
HEY, YOU'RE THAT KID FROM YESTERDAY.
WHAT THE HELL IS UP?
AT ANY RATE. .LET'S HIT THE MAIH STREET.

GEEEEZ, JUST HOW MANY OF 'EM ARE THERE?
They're all over the friggin' place.

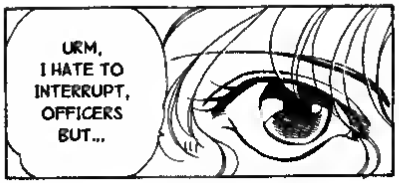
BUT THEY'RE OVER THERE, TOO.

WE GOTTA TURN BACK.

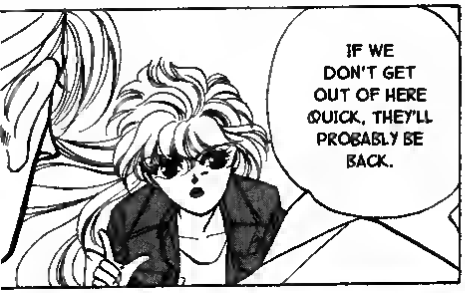
HOLD UP.

Grab
LET'S GO?
WE'RE LOOKING FOR TWO MEN AND A YOUNG GIRL, NOT A GAY COUPLE.
Don't say a freaking word. It'll take weeks to erase that scene from my head.
HUH? BUT...
Th-that...
THEY'RE GONE.

OH NO!! DID...
RYO! QUICK, GET OVER HERE!!
WHAT?!
THERE'S SOMEONE THERE!!
URRGGHH!!
DEE!!
JUST SHUT UP AND CLOSE YOUR EYES.
Damn, you're loud.
Hii—!! Don't tell me what to do!!


URM, I HATE TO INTERRUPT, OFFICERS BUT...

WHAT?! I'M BI, DAMMIT! BI!! GET IT RIGHT!!
AND WHAT ABOUT THEM CALLING ME GAY, HUH? BECAUSE I'M NOT!! YOU MIGHT BE, BUT I'M NOT!!
I'm totally straight!
OH, LIKE THAT'S SO DIFFER-ENT?!
YEAH, ACTUALLY IT IS, IDIOT!! AND IF YOU'RE STRAIGHT THEN-

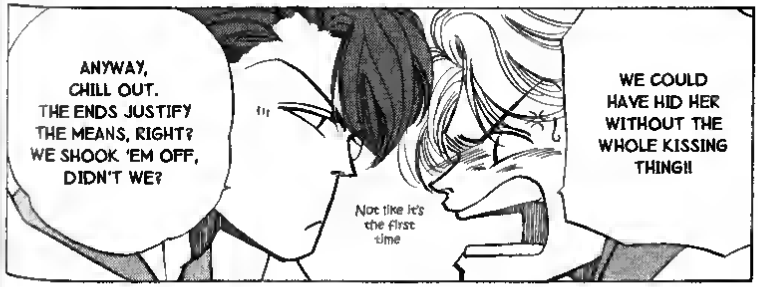

IF WE DON'T GET OUT OF HERE QUICK, THEY'LL PROBABLY BE BACK.

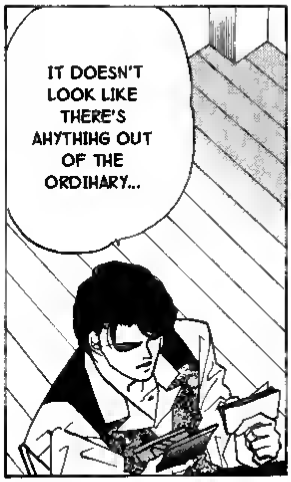
OKAY, LET'S GO.
I LOST CON-TROL FOR A SEC.
OH, RIGHT. SORRY ABOUT THAT. LET'S GET YOU TO THE PRECINCT, OKAY?

Whoa!

WHAT GOOD WOULD IT HAVE DONE TO KISS HER, HUH?
THE GOAL WAS TO KEEP THE KID HIDDEN AWAY.
WHY THE HELL DID YOU HAVE TO INVOLVE ME?!
KID?

AAHHHH, IT FEELS SO GOOD TO THROW THEM OFF OUR TAIL YUP, UNBELIEVABLY GOOD, ACTUALLY.
DEE!!

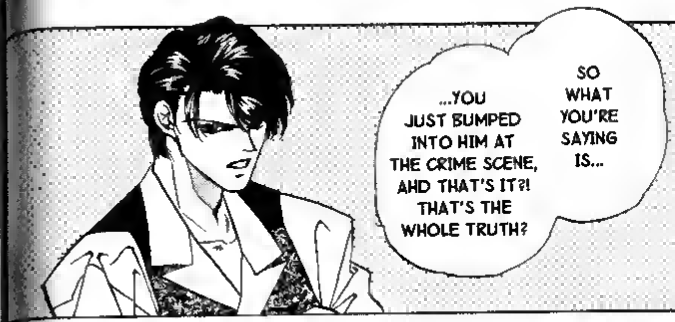

ANYWAY, CHILL OUT. THE ENDS JUSTIFY THE MEANS, RIGHT? WE SHOOK 'EM OFF, DIDN'T WE?
Not like it's the first time
WE COULD HAVE HID HER WITHOUT THE WHOLE KISSING THING!!


IT DOESN'T LOOK LIKE THERE'S AHYTHIHG OUT OF THE ORDIHARY...

HE MUST HAVE HAD SOME-THING IMPORTAHT... ..STASHED IH HERE, BUT...

AND JUDGIHG FROM HOW ADAMANT HE WAS IN LOOKING FOR YOU.. ...EVEH THOUGH YOU DIDH'T GET A GOOD LOOK AT HIS FACE.

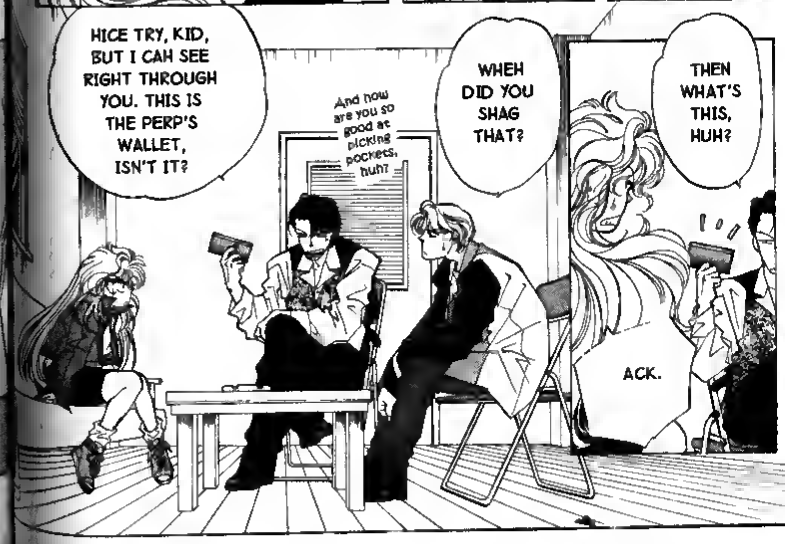
?
HEY, DEE.
HEY, DEE..

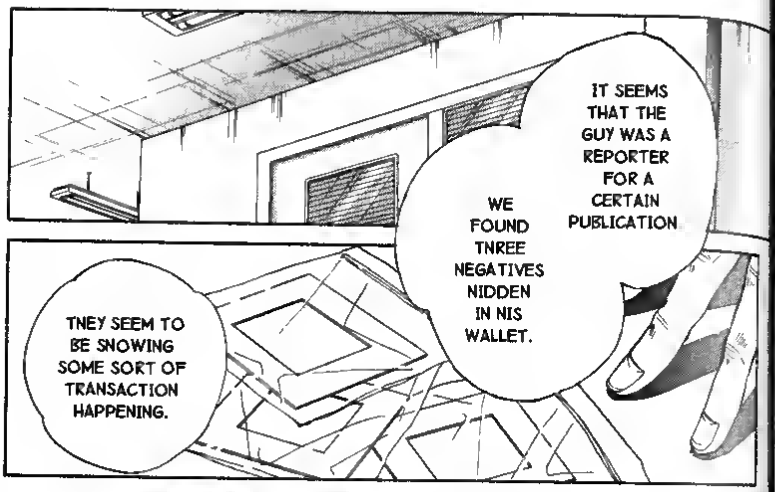

SO WHAT YOU'RE SAYING IS...
...YOU JUST BUMPED INTO HIM AT THE CRIME SCENE, AHD THAT'S IT?! THAT'S THE WHOLE TRUTH?

O..OF COURSE, I'M NOT H..HOW DARE YOU!!
YOU'RE HIDIHG SOMETHING, AREN'T YOU?

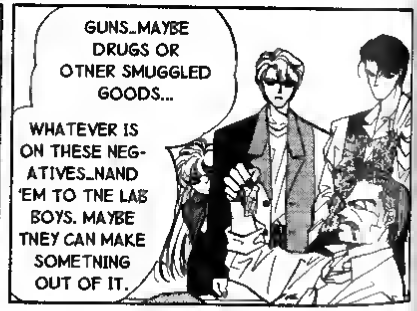
W...WHAT?

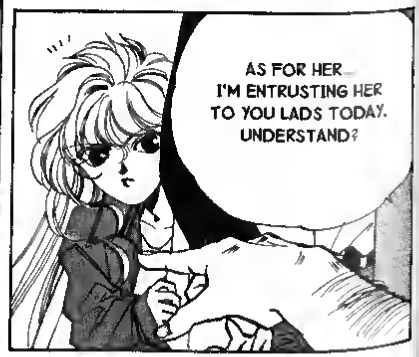
THAT'S WHAT I SAID I SAID.

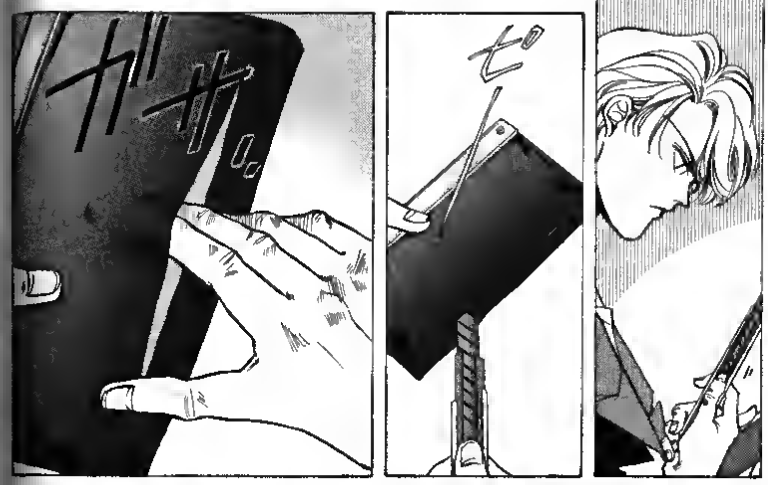

HICE TRY, KID, BUT I CAH SEE RIGHT THROUGH YOU. THIS IS THE PERP'S WALLET, ISN'T IT?
And now are you so good at picking pockets, huh?
WHEH DID YOU SHAG THAT?
THEN WHAT'S THIS, HUH?
ACK.


IT SEEMS THAT THE GUY WAS A REPORTER FOR A CERTAIN PUBLICATION.
WE FOUND THREE NEGATIVES HIDDEN IN HIS WALLET.
THEY SEEM TO BE SHOWING SOME SORT OF TRANSACTION HAPPENING.

SHE CAN STAY WITH ME TONIGHT.
The precinct's no place for her, so—


GUNS...MAYBE DRUGS OR OTHER SMUGGLED GOODS...
WHATEVER IS ON THESE NEGATIVES...HAND 'EM TO THE LAB BOYS. MAYBE THEY CAN MAKE SOMETHING OUT OF IT.


AS FOR HER... I'M ENTRUSTING HER TO YOU LADS TODAY. UNDERSTAND?



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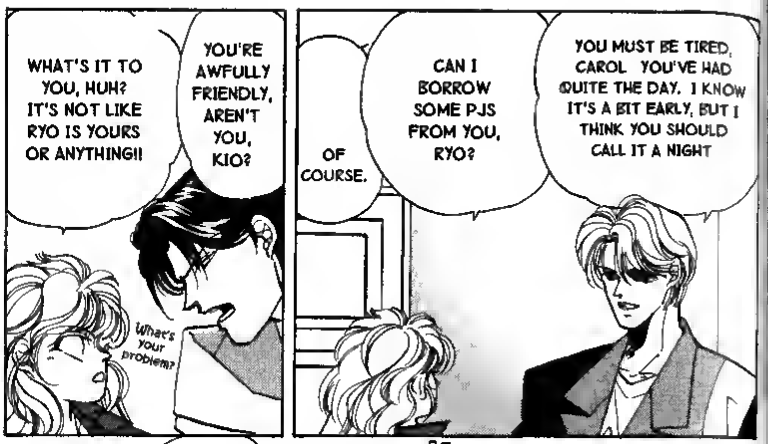
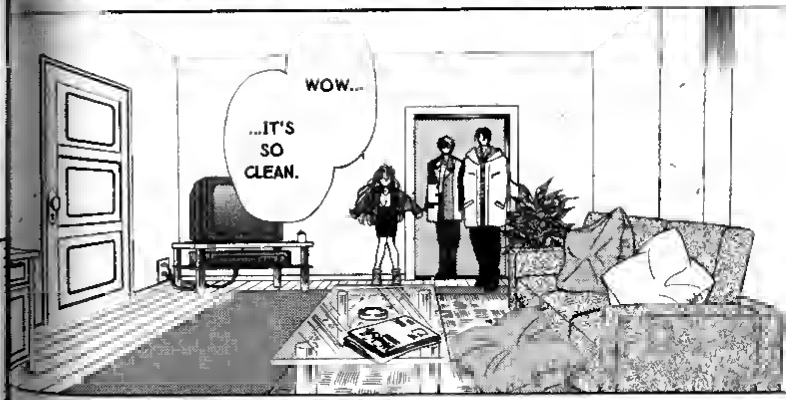
WELL, WELL... WHAT DO WE HAVE HERE?


YOU'RE AWFULLY FRIENDLY, AREN'T YOU, KIO?
WHAT'S IT TO YOU, HUH? IT'S NOT LIKE RYO IS YOURS OR ANYTHING!!
What's your problem?
CAN I BORROW SOME PJS FROM YOU, RYO?
OF COURSE.
YOU MUST BE TIRED, CAROL YOU'VE HAD QUITE THE DAY. I KNOW IT'S A BIT EARLY, BUT I THINK YOU SHOULD CALL IT A NIGHT

WHA?!
You're coming, too?
OH, WELL, THEN I SHOULD SLEEP OVER TOO, CHIEF.

HAVE YOU BEEN SMOKING CRACK, KIO? HE'S ALL MINE!!
GTTT


WOW..
...IT'S SO CLEAN.

I OON'T EVER REMEMBER SAYING I WAS ALL YOURS.
What the heck was that for, huh? You don't look it, but you sure are violent, aren't you, you little bastard.
OWW!!

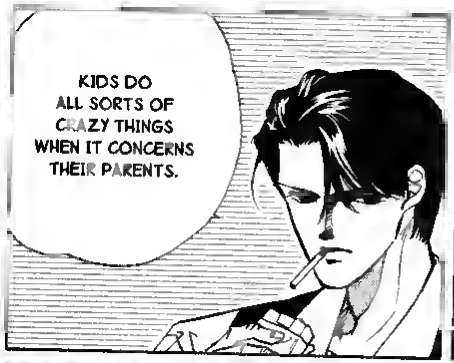
THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH KEEPING YOUR PLACE TIDY.
Leave me alone, you big bully!
BUT RYO'S DIFFERENT FROM OTHER GUYS IN THAT RESPECT. SOME MIGHT EVEN SAY HE'S A BIT ANAL ABOUT SUCH THINGS.
Mine is
I ALWAYS IMAGINED A BOY'S ROOM WOULO BE A LOT MESSIER, YOU KNOW?

HUH?
MY PAPA...
FROM WHAT I CAN TELL, IT'S NOT LIKE YOU'RE HARD UP FOR MONEY OR ANYTHING... SO WHY ARE YOU STEALING, HUH?
OH, AUNT ELINA... SHE'S A REALLY NICE LADY. SHE REALLY UNDERSTANDS ME, TOO
MY PAPA WANTS OUT, YOU SEE...
HE WON'T LAST MUCH LONGER ANYHOW... THE WAY HE IS NOW...
IT'S NOT THAT HE WANTS OUT TO DO MORE BAD THINGS...IT'S NOT LIKE THAT AT ALL. HE COULDN'T EVEN IF HE WANTED TO.
BUT... IN ORDER TO GET HIM RELEASED, THEY SAID I NEEDED TO PAY HIS BAIL. BUT I...

HA HA. THEY ARE A BIT BIG FOR YOU, AREN'T THEY?
WOW, IT'S LIKE WEARING MY PAPA'S PJS.
YES, RYO?
CAROL...
WHAT ARE YOU SAVING UP ALL THAT MONEY FOR?
SORRY I SORT OF HEARD ABOUT IT FROM YOUR AUNT...THE LADY WHO WAS KEEPING AN EYE ON YOU?
It's not that I was checking up on you or anything, honest
YOU DID A CHECK ON ME OR SOMETHING?

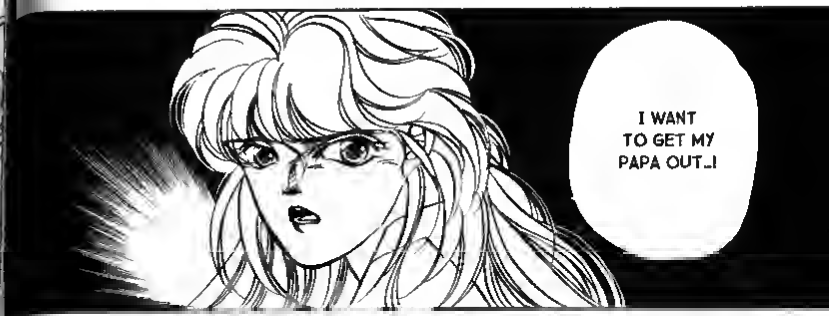
NOPE, I JUST HAPPENED TO OVER-HEAR.
YOU WERE LISTEN-ING?

DEE..

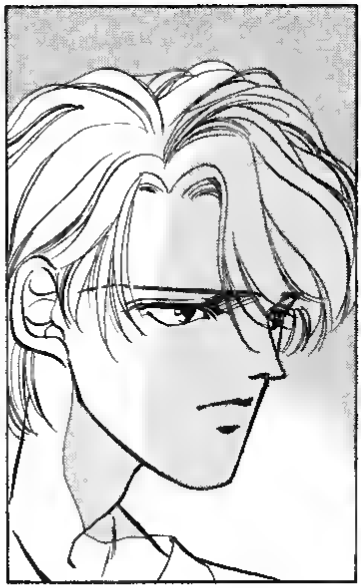

KIDS DO ALL SORTS OF CRAZY THINGS WHEN IT CONCERNS THEIR PARENTS.

I SUPPOSE..

I GUESS THAT SHOULD BE OUR HIGHEST PRIORITY, HUH?
...OR ELSE SHE'LL END UP IN JAIL, JUST LIKE HER DAD.
I UNDERSTAND WHY SHE DOES WHAT SHE DOES, BUT IT'S GOING TO BLOW UP IN HER FACE. WE NEED HER KNOCK OFF THE PETTY THEFT...


I WANT TO GET MY PAPA OUT..!

BOO HOO. WHAT A SAD LITTLE SOB STORY SHE'S GOT GOING.



IT'S LIKE I'M SEEING HIM FOR THE FIRST TIME..
WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING AT?
N... NOTHING..
WHA?!

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MY BAD.
Thanks, man.
OH HEY, I GOT IT...
DARN IT
Empty
HE'S GOT SUCH LONG EYELASHES..DID HIS EYES ALWAYS LOOK LIKE THAT..?

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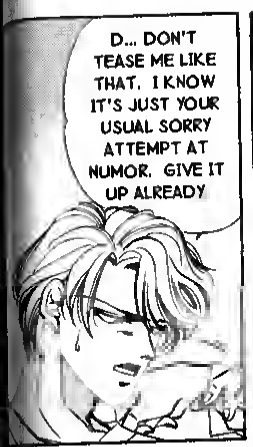
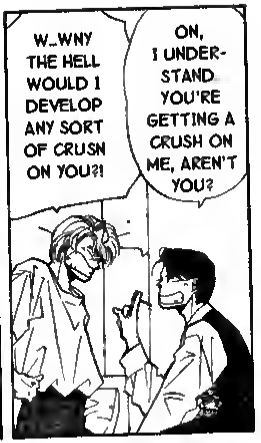
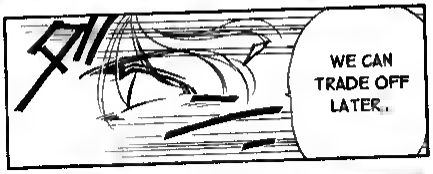

D... DON'T TEASE ME LIKE THAT. I KNOW IT'S JUST YOUR USUAL SORRY ATTEMPT AT NUMOR. GIVE IT UP ALREADY

YOU'RE SAYING ITS NOT TRUE?


W..WNY THE HELL WOULD I DEVELOP ANY SORT OF CRUSN ON YOU?!
ON, I UNDER-STAND YOU'RE GETTING A CRUSH ON ME, AREN'T YOU?

DEE..

I'M GONNA STAY UP FOR A BIT. WNY DON'T YOU GET SOME SLEEP IN TNE MEANTIME?


WE CAN TRADE OFF LATER.

DON'T EVER DISMISS ME LIKE THAT AGAIN, RYO.
WAKE ME UP IN FOUR HOURS, KAY?
Pat
I...I CAN'T EVEN STAND UP... I'VE NEVER... NEVER...

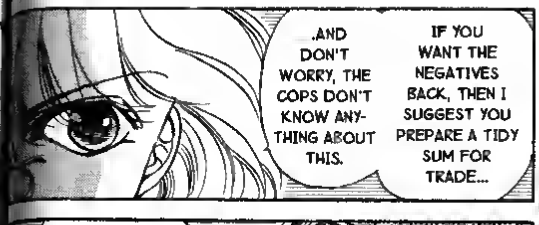
WHERE'D HE LEARN HOW TO KISS LIKE THAT?
He's too good
RYO!!
THE KID'S GONE!!
W..WHAT'S THE MATTER?
You scared the shit out of me.
CAROL...?!
THE KID...? YOU MEAN, CAROL?!
WHO ELSE!!
CALLING ME OUT LIKE THIS... I CAN'T HELP BUT COMMEND YOUR GALL, LITTLE MISS.
DELAYED REACTION THERE! You're way too easy
WHA!!

THAT CAMERAMAN WAS JUST LIKE YOU. STICKING HIS NECK WHERE IT DIDN'T BELONG.
URRGH

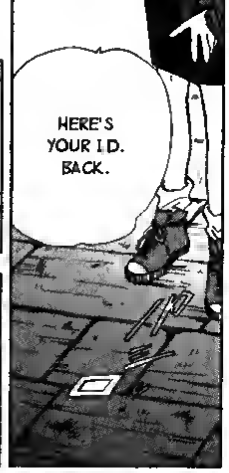
WELL, WE JUST CAN'T HAVE THAT CAN WE? IT'S ALL SUCH AN UGLY INCONVENIENCE TO ME.
AND JUST LIKE YOU, HE DECIDED TO TRY BLACKMAILING ME, AS WELL.

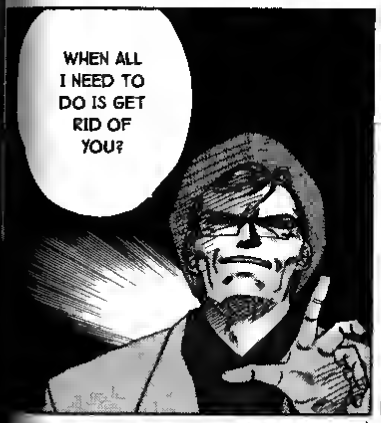
AAAAHHH...

THIS TIME THERE AREN'T ANY DISTRACTIONS. GOOD NIGHT, LITTLE MISS!


...AND DON'T WORRY, THE COPS DON'T KNOW ANY-THING ABOUT THIS.
IF YOU WANT THE NEGATIVES BACK, THEN I SUGGEST YOU PREPARE A TIDY SUM FOR TRADE...

I'M AFRAID I CAN'T PAY YOU.


HERE'S YOUR I.D. BACK.


WHEN ALL I NEED TO DO IS GET RID OF YOU?

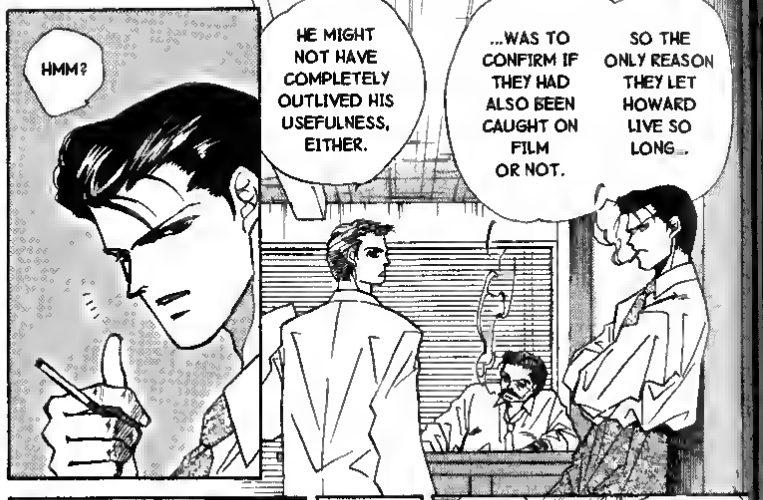
WHAT I'M SAYING IS...WHY SHOULD I PAY YOU OFF?
YOU'RE IN CHARGE OF AN ENTIRE HOSPITAL GROUP, AREN'T YOU? AND YOU'RE A DOCTOR. TWENTY OR THIRTY THOUSAND SHOULD BE A DROP IN THE OCEAN FOR YOU!!

THUD

I WAS WONDERIN' WHAT WAS TAKIN' YOU SO LONG, OLD MAN
WHAT THE?!
TAKE THAT, YOU FAT FREAK!!
GRRGHHHH.
!!
CAROL!!
LEO!!

DEE!! GET DOWN!!
WHAT THE HELL?!
AND JUST SO YOU KNOW, IF YOU REALLY WANT THE NEGATIVES, YOU CAN COME PICK 'EM UP AT THE PRECINCT YERSELF, 'KAY?
RYO!
HOLD IT RIGHT THERE!
HE'S GOT GUYS ON THE ROOF OF THAT BUILDING?!
!?

I'M OKAY...
YOU ALL RIGHT? YOU HURT ANYWHERE?
CAROL.
THAT GUY...
PULL OUT!!
THAT'S GOOD.
YEAH ..I'M FINE, BUT...
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, DEE?
HE WON'T BE TALKING ANYMORE... THAT'S FOR SURE
I'M NOT TOO SURE ABOUT THIS DUDE OVER HERE.

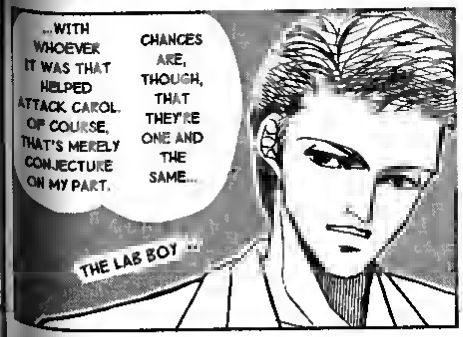

HMM?
HE MIGHT NOT HAVE COMPLETELY OUTLIVED HIS USEFULNESS, EITHER.
...WAS TO CONFIRM IF THEY HAD ALSO BEEN CAUGHT ON FILM OR NOT.
SO THE ONLY REASON THEY LET HOWARD LIVE SO LONG...

JUST AS I THOUGHT.
AH.
HMM... JUST...
WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING AT, RYO?

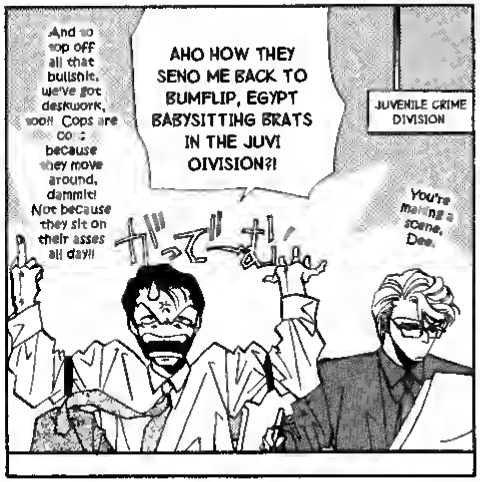
...BECAUSE I'D SEEN HIM IN HERE.
ONE OF THOSE GUYS BACK THERE... I THOUGHT HE LOOKED FAMILIAR...

I'M SORRY.

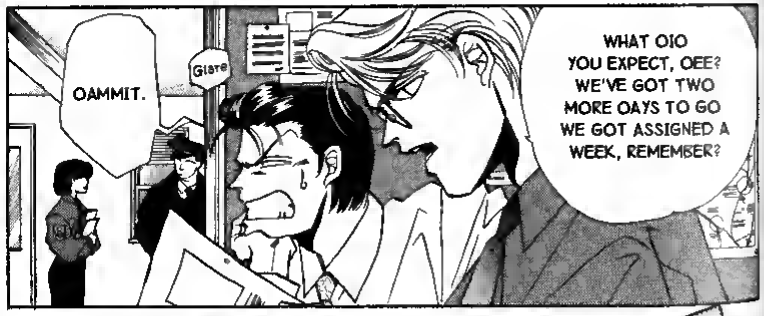
ON THE OTHER HAND, WE CAN'T MAKE OUT WHO GOLDMAN'S TRANSACTION WAS WITH.


...WITH WHOEVER IT WAS THAT HELPED ATTACK CAROL. OF COURSE, THAT'S MERELY CONJECTURE ON MY PART.
CHANCES ARE, THOUGH, THAT THEY'RE ONE AND THE SAME...
THE LAB BOY...

THE GUY'S NAME WAS HOWARD GOLDMAN.
HE WAS HEAD OF HOWARD HOSPITAL...AND RUNNING THIS INGENIOUS LITTLE DRUG BUSINESS FROM THAT VERY SAME HOSPITAL.
WE DEVELOPED THE NEGATIVES... AND MR. GOLDMAN'S FACE SEEMS TO BE EMBLAZONED ALL OVER A CERTAIN TRANSACTION HE MADE.


AHO HOW THEY SEND ME BACK TO BUMFLIP, EGYPT BABYSITTING BRATS IN THE JUVI DIVISION?!
JUVENILE CRIME DIVISION
And so top off all that bullshit, we've got deskwork, too!! Cops are cool because they move around, dammit! Not because they sit on their asses all day!!
You're making a scene, Dee.

SO, THE PERP GETS ERASED.
..AND LEO GOES OH TO SLITHER ANOTHER DAY. NOT LIKE I WASN'T PISSED OFF ENOUGH ALREADY..


WHAT DID YOU EXPECT, DEE? WE'VE GOT TWO MORE DAYS TO GO WE GOT ASSIGNED A WEEK, REMEMBER?
Glare
DAMMIT.

HEY..THAT MONEY YOU WERE SAVING?
You remember, that account that gives you such enjoyment?
WHAT ABOUT IT?
OH, YEAH.

LEO, HUH? WHENEVER THERE ARE DRUGS...
...THERE'S ALWAYS A LEO, AS WELL.
BUT THE LUCKY LITTLE BASTARD... HE ALWAYS SLITHERS AWAY AT THE LAST MINUTE.

LAST NIGHT MAKES IT THE FIFTH TIME.

ALL RIGHT, YOU'RE ALL SET. TAKE CARE NOW.
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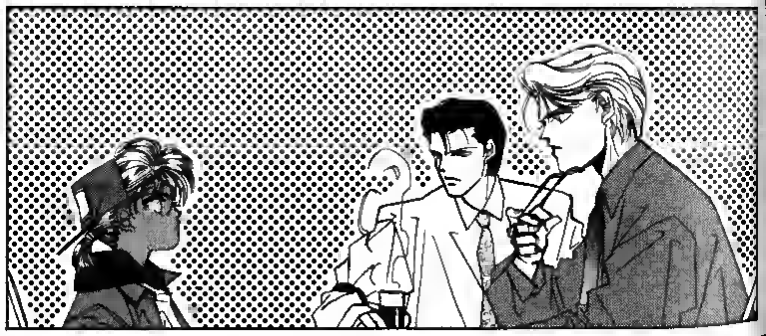
DAMMIT!!

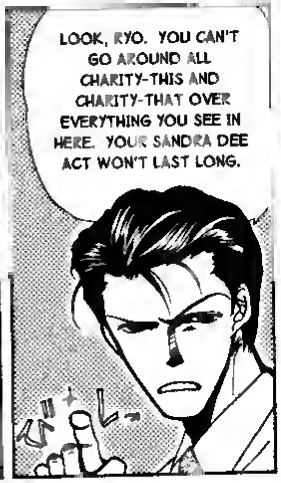
HMMM?
EAST 15TH STREET. APARTMENT 303.
ADDRESS?
WHOA, WEIRD.
WOW, WHAT A COINCIDENCE THAT'S THE EXACT ADDRESS AND APARTMENT NUMBER AS MINE



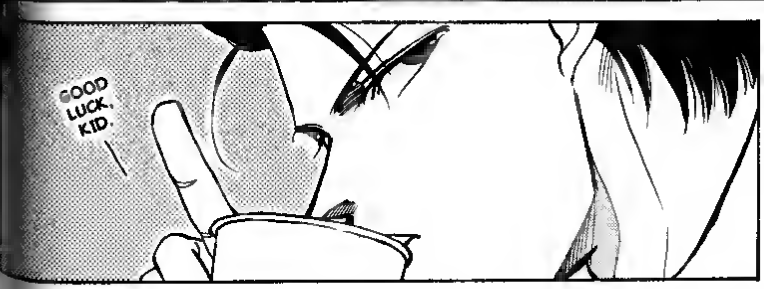
MY, MY, AREN'T WE QUICK WITH THE GOSSIP.
YOU USED IT TO BAIL OUT CAROL'S DAD, DIDN'T YOU?
I HEARD WHAT YOU ENDED UP DOING WITH IT...

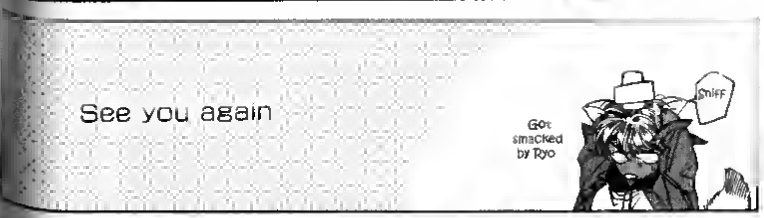
THAT'S NOT THE POINT, AND YOU KNOW IT.
THAT IS THE POINT BECAUSE I SAID SO.
Goody goody two shoes

IT'S JUST MONEY. I'LL SAVE SOME UP AGAIN.


LOOK, RYO. YOU CAN'T GO AROUND ALL CHARITY-THIS AND CHARITY-THAT OVER EVERYTHING YOU SEE IN HERE. YOUR SANDRA DEE ACT WON'T LAST LONG.

NEXT!!
Actually, work to start, in your case
COME ON, WE'VE GOT WORK TO DO.
Alt right, grandma!





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RYO!!
WAAHH!!
DAMN... I THINK I HAVE A SLIGHT FEVER, TOO...
I GUESS I AM GETTING SICK AFTER ALL...
I'M OFF TODAY--
SNIFFLE
THIS THING RIGHT HERE.
WHAT IS?
WAY TO GO, RYO. QUITE IMPRESSIVE
DEE
?
IT'S THE RESULTS FROM THE STATION-WIDE SHOOTING PRACTICE SESSION WE NAD A WHILE BACK. YOU TOOK FIRST PLACE, MAN
1st. Randy Maclean
2nd. Kim Lazuli
3rd. James Randall
4th. Larry McDoyal
5th. Dee Laytner

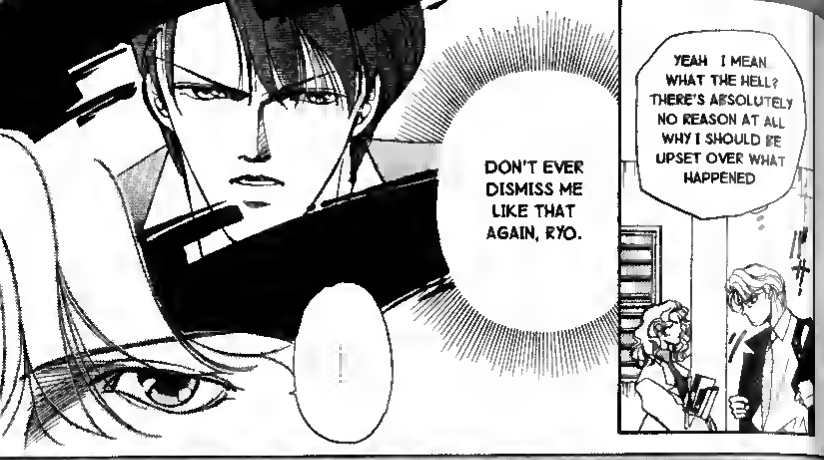
Click
CHOOO!!
AH... AHH...

DEE-II
ACK. A PINHOLE SHOT, HUH?
THEY'RE ALMOST ALL IN THE SAME EXACT AREA...
Dammit
!!
It's impressive but it still pisses me OFF
Now now

I PROBABLY JUST GOT LUCKY THIS TIME, DEE.
And FY! I was trying to make you feel better
WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO SAY, HUH? I'M BETTER IN THE FIELD, OKAY?
HEY, I DIDN'T KNOW THAT SO YOU'RE FIFTH, HUH?
WHAT'S THE POINT IN LUCK WHEN SKILL IS ALL THAT REALLY MATTERS?

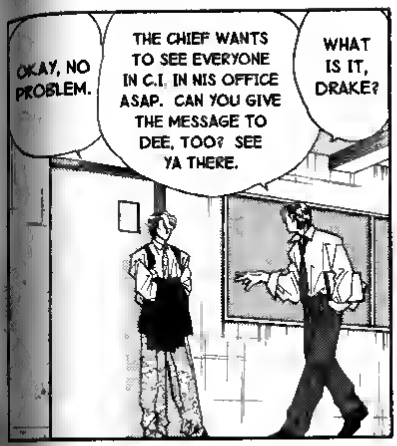
RYO, THIS ISN'T WHAT YOU THINK IT IS!! IT'S..IT'S.. URRMMM..
I'm innocent, dammit!
What the...hell?
W...WHAT THE HELL DO YOU TNINK YOU'RE DOING?! LET GO!!
WELL, I'VE GOT THINGS TO ATTEND TO, SO I'LL BE SEEING YOU AROUND TNEN. HAVE FUN. DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME.
Bye
But his eyes tell a different story
You can tell if you cover up his mouth
Aauu
Hmmm... I see.
Are you even listenin' to me? Look over here!! Don't ignore me like that!
THAT WAS MY PARTNER, DAMMIT!!
WHO WAS THAT DUDE?
DAMMIT, JJ!! THIS IS ALL YOUR FAULT!! WHAT THE HELL WERE YOU THINKING?!
Oh, too bad. Sorry if I ruined anything for you
And I'd just gotten myself into a nice place with him, too
You--
you...!

10 Second Pause
WAIT A FREAKIN' SEC!
MRRGHHH.


DON'T EVER DISMISS ME LIKE THAT AGAIN, RYO.
!
YEAH I MEAN... WHAT THE HELL? THERE'S ABSOLUTELY NO REASON AT ALL WHY I SHOULD BE UPSET OVER WHAT HAPPENED

SO I GUESS... IN THE END... HE WASN'T SERIOUS AT ALL...

Oh man.
WHAT'S WRONG WITH ME? I'M ACTING LIKE I ACTUALLY WANTED HIM TO MEAN ALL THOSE THINGS HE SAID. GEEZ. HOW EMBARRASSING.
This can't be good.
YO...
...RYO...


OKAY, NO PROBLEM.
THE CHIEF WANTS TO SEE EVERYONE IN C.I. IN HIS OFFICE ASAP. CAN YOU GIVE THE MESSAGE TO DEE, TOO? SEE YA THERE.
WHAT IS IT, DRAKE?

RYO.

WHAT... WHAT'S WRONG WITH ME? SOMETHING'S JUST NOT RIGHT.

DEE'S MY PARTNER... NOTHING MORE...
BUT I DON'T UNDER-STAND...
...WHY THE HELL AM I DEPRESSED OVER SOME-THING LIKE THAT...
HMMM

YO, MARTY. THE CHIEF WANTS TO SEE YOU, TOO.

HMMM?
HEY, RY.

OH, I ALMOST FORGOT. THE CHIEF WANTS TO SEE US ASAP. WE SHOULD GET GOING.

MY FEVER? BUT HOW COULD HE POSSIBLY HAVE FELT IT...?

DO ME A FAVOR AND TAKE SOME MEDICINE.

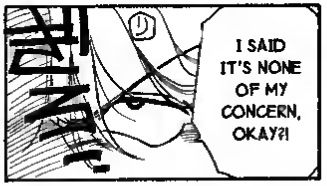
GYT!
..THAT'S REALLY NONE OF MY BUSINESS. I AM JUST YOUR PARTNER, AFTER ALL.
I DON'T GIVE A DAMN HOW MANY LOVERS YOU CHOOSE TO HAVE..

YOU DON'T HAVE TO EXPLAIN ANYTHING.
LOOK, I JUST WANTED TO EXPLAIN WHAT HAP-PENED

RYO!
WHOA!!
You better not be ignoring me on purpose, man

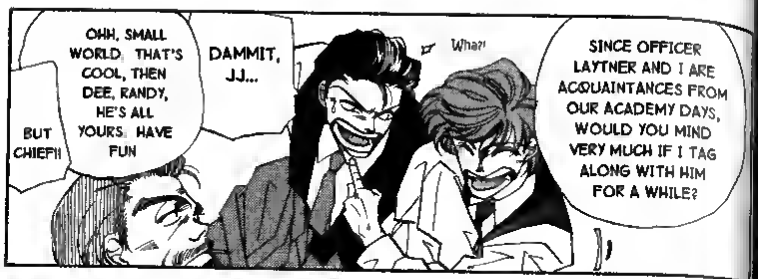
IS THAT WHAT YOU REALLY THINK?!

HOLD ON, RYO.
..HE MUST BE PRETTY INTO ME AFTER ALL, HUH?


I SAID IT'S NONE OF MY CONCERN, OKAY?!

Hmmpm
Pwease don't be angwy
Yip yip.

BUT...WAY TO GO, ME. JUDGING FROM THAT 'I'M SO HURT' ATTITUDE OF HIS...
Heh heh


SINCE OFFICER LAYTNER AND I ARE ACQUAINTANCES FROM OUR ACADEMY DAYS, WOULD YOU MIND VERY MUCH IF I TAG ALONG WITH HIM FOR A WHILE?
What?
DAMMIT, JJ...
OHH, SMALL WORLD. THAT'S COOL, THEN DEE, RANDY, HE'S ALL YOURS. HAVE FUN
BUT CHIEF!!

THIS WAY, JJ. I'LL SHOW YOU AROUND THE STATION
WHY THANK YOU VERY MUCH... BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, RYO...

WE'LL DO OUR BEST, SIR
RYO!
Et tu, Ryo?!
Dang. He's gotta come, too?
What's the big deal here?

..JUST EXACTLY HOW FAR HAVE YOU GOTTEN WITH DEE?
WH... WHAT... THE HELL?

JJ HERE HAS BEEN A FORCE SNIPER FOR ABOUT SIX MONTHS NOW.
THE ONLY ONE OF YOU WHO MIGHT BE ABLE TO MATCH HIM IN THAT AREA'S PROBABLY RANDY OVER THERE

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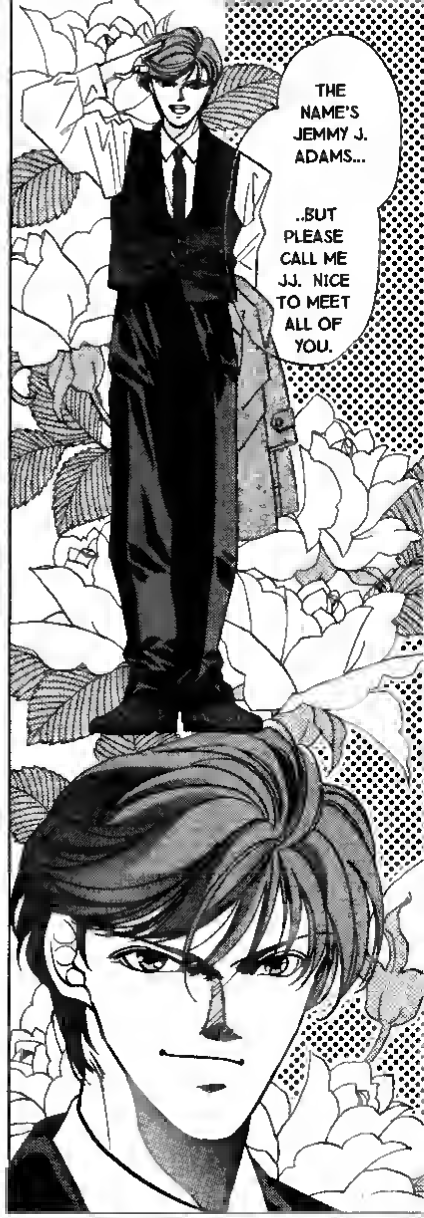
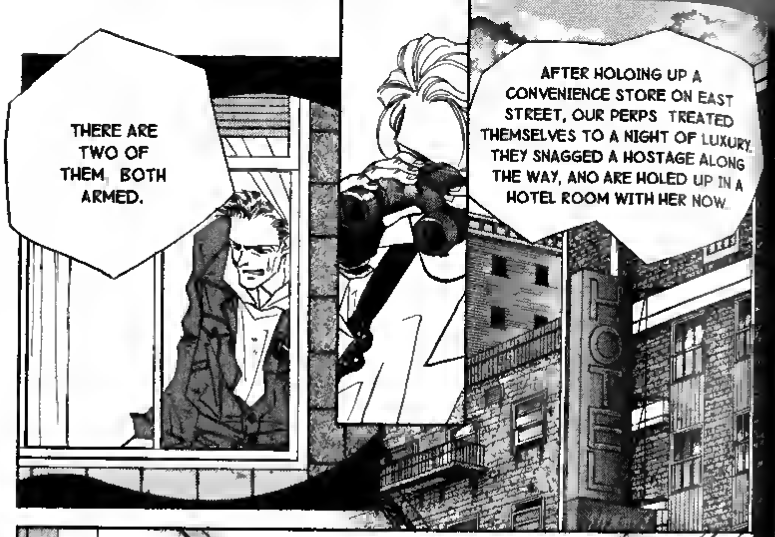
Spark

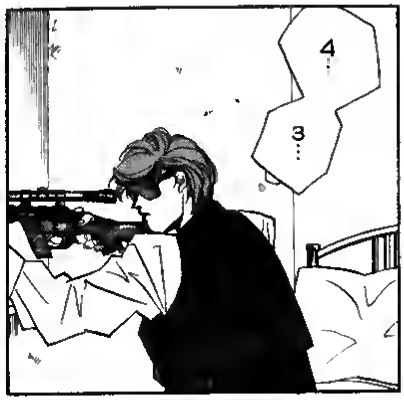
LET'S SEE NOW. IF CAINE WAS AROUND, I'D ASSIGN YOU WITH HIM, BUT...
..WHO CAN I STICK YOU WITH FOR A BIT...?
OH, CHIEF, ABOUT THAT...


..BUT PLEASE CALL ME JJ. NICE TO MEET ALL OF YOU.
THE NAME'S JEMMY J. ADAMS...

THERE'S ABSOLUTELY NOTHING BETWEEN JJ AND ME
LOOK, JUST FOR THE RECORD
Replay
I'M SO GLAD YOU WERE POPULAR BACK THEN.
MAN, EVERYDAY IT WAS LIKE...I WANT YOU, I LOVE YOU, I LUST FOR YOU...IT CREEPS ME OUT TO THINK ABOUT IT EVEN NOW.
Lasso already!!
Nyaa!
OAMMIT, RYO.
IF ANYTHING, HE CAUSED ME NOTHING BUT GRIEF BACK AT THE ACADEMY, CHASING ME AROUND LIKE I WAS THE LAST MAN ON EARTH.
I SEE.
Barricade
What are you? In 3rd grade?
RAWR!!
IF IT DOESN'T CONCERN YOU, THEN WHY THE HELL DO YOU LOOK SO PISSED OFF, NUN?!
What the hell did I do to deserve this!?
THAT'S NICE. BUT LIKE I SAID BEFORE, IT DOESN'T REALLY CONCERN ME, DOES IT?
I EVEN MOVED AFTER I GRADUATED JUST TO GET THE HELL AWAY FROM HIM, YOU KNOW!!
THERE'S ONLY ONE PERSON THAT'S GOOD ENOUGH FOR DEE.
I'M NOT GOING TO LOSE HIM TO THE LIKES OF YOU! I'LL MAKE DEE FALL HEAD-OVER-HEELS FOR ME IF IT'S THE LAST THING I DO!!
AND JUST SO YOU KNOW...
WE JUST KISSED.
It wasn't even consensual, just so you know
AND THAT'S ME!!
Are you implying I'm easy or something?
And I meant exactly what I said.
OH, HE'S GOOO...
WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN, HUN?
I DOUBT YOU NEED TO TRY VERY HARD FOR HIM TO FALL FOR YOU...IF AT ALL, FOR THAT MATTER.
You little—
Can we go yet?


THERE ARE TWO OF THEM. BOTH ARMED.
AFTER HOLDING UP A CONVENIENCE STORE ON EAST STREET, OUR PERPS TREATED THEMSELVES TO A NIGHT OF LUXURY. THEY SNAGGED A HOSTAGE ALONG THE WAY, AND ARE HOLED UP IN A HOTEL ROOM WITH HER NOW.
HOTEL

SENPAI - TERM USED TO REFER TO A CO WORKER WHO HAS MORE SENIORITY THAN YOU, A TITLE OF RESPECT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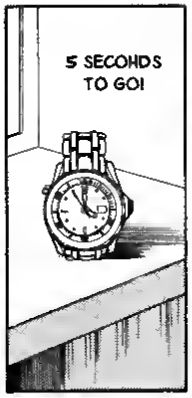
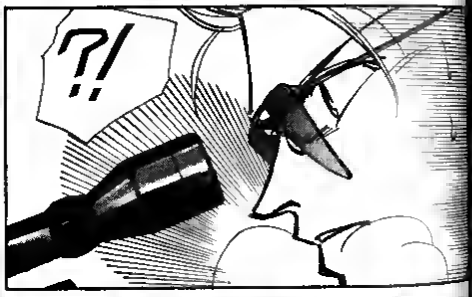

5 SECONDS TO GO!

DAMMIT, THE HOSTAGE IS IN MY SHOT.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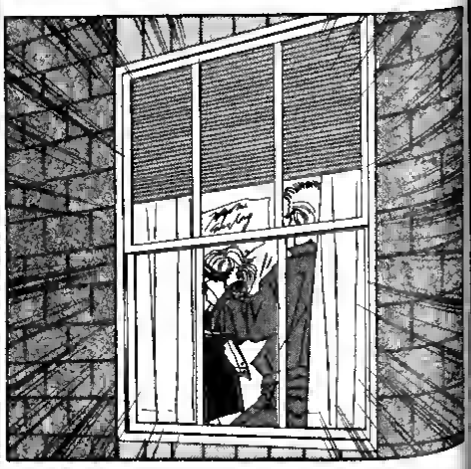
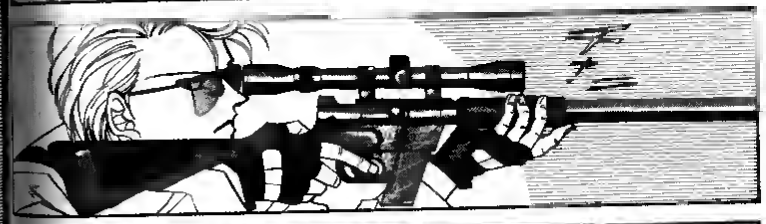


RIGHT AS THEY TAKE THAT ONE OUT, OUR OWN TEAM'LL CHARGE THE ONE AT THE DOOR.

RYO AND JJ WILL BE STATIONED IN TWO LOCATIONS IN THE OPPOSING BUILDING.
THEIR JOB'S TO TAKE OUT THE ONE BY THE WINDOW.



COME ON, RYO. SNAP OUT OF IT! THAT HOSTAGE IS DEPENDING ON YOU!
SNAP

DAMMIT... I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S THE FEVER OR NOT BUT... I FEEL SO DIZZY...

HMM

GOOD WORK, BOYS.
THIS IS THE CHARGE TEAM. WE'VE SECURED THE FLOOR AND RESCUED THE HOSTAGE, CHIEF.
NOW... THEN...

GRRGGGHHHHHH.

WHAT'S THAT?
HERE.
I'M GIVING YOU A PIGGY-BACK RIDE, FOOL.
DEE...
QUIT YOUR YAMMERING AND HELP THE PATIENT UP, WILL YA?
THANKS
URR... OKAY...
DIDN'T I TELL YOU TO TAKE SOMETHING?
Jesus, JJ, will you just shut up and go on ahead already?
Sorry, Bure-
All right, all right. I'll help but just today, okay, Ryo!? I'll even carry your bags for you!
BUT I DIDN'T .. DID I?
WAAAHH!!
I WOULD NEVER HAVE DESCRIBED YOU AS RECKLESS UNTIL JUST HOW. WHAT IF YOU HAD HIT HER HUH?

I
URM... BUT... I...
THERE'S NO WAY I'M LEAVING.
WHAT RYO NEEDS IS SLEEP IF YOU STAY, HE WON'T GET A WINK. IT'S JUST BETTER IF YOU LEAVE WITH ME, OEE. I'M SURE RYO THINKS YOU'RE NOTHING BUT A PAIN IN THE ASS ANYWAY!!
FYI, I CAN READ YOUR MIND, MAN

Grrr
ALL RIGHT, ALL RIGHT. I GOT YOUR POINT, OKAY? WE CAN GO NOW.

SEE YA.

O...OEAL. ANO.. THANKS...

Thanks so much for having us over! Take care and stuff and whatever
Grin
I OON'T CARE NOW LATE IT IS, JUST OO IT. OEAL?
I'M TAKIN' OFF, TNEN IF YOU NEED ANYTNING, JUST CALL, OKAY?

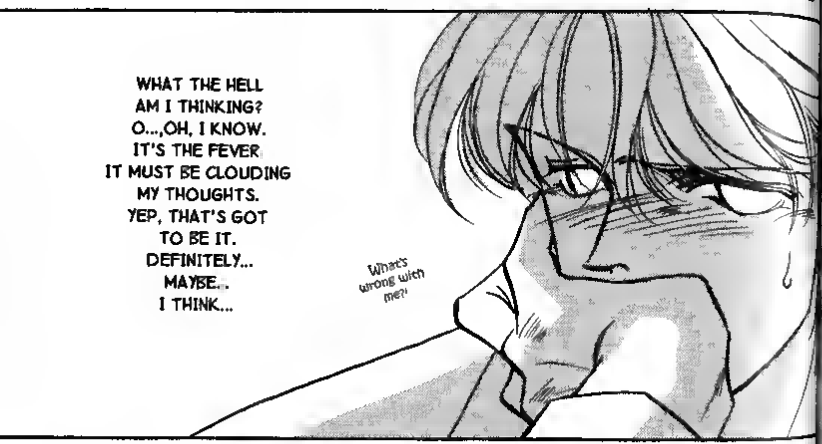
WELL, YOU TOOK YOUR MEDS SO YOUR FEVER SHOULD BE GOING DOWN SOON, OKAY?

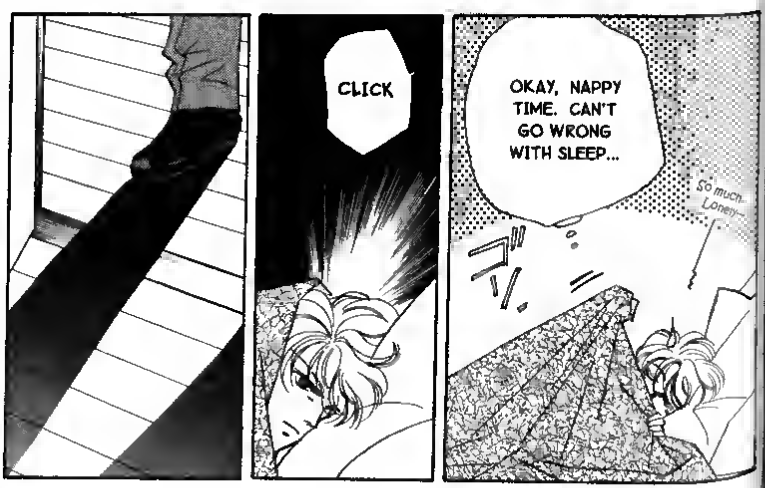
DEE-!!

LET'S GO HOME, OEE! WE'VE OONE ALL WE CAN DO NERE, AFTER ALL.
We're wasting our time just sitting around here!
COULD YOU POSSIBLY BE MORE ANNOYING?!

NOTNING I CAN THINK OF, BUT...
ON- OID YOU WANT ME TO PICK SOME-TNING UP OR OO ANYTHING FOR YOU?

...UNTIL WE PASS OUT DEAD-TIRED DURING WORK?! NO WAY!! WE'RE LEAVING RIGHT THIS MINUTE!!
WNAT TNE NELL IS WRONG WITN YOU? CAN'T YOU SEE HE'S SICK?! WE SNOULD STAY BY HIS SIOE ALL NIGNT UNTIL..


WHAT THE HELL AM I THINKING? O...,OH, I KNOW. IT'S THE FEVER. IT MUST BE CLOUDING MY THOUGHTS. YEP, THAT'S GOT TO BE IT. DEFINITELY... MAYBE... I THINK...
What's wrong with me?!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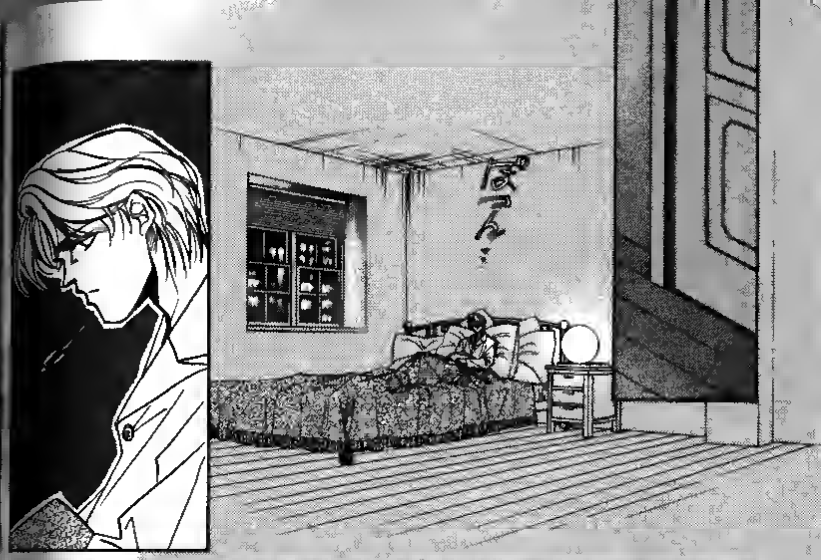
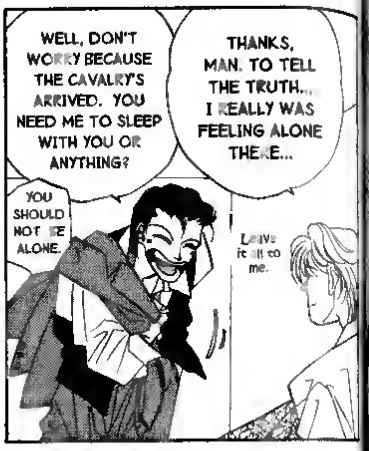
OKAY, NAPPY TIME. CAN'T GO WRONG WITH SLEEP...
So much... Lonely...



HONESTLY... I WOULDN'T HAVE MINDED AT ALL...
SO LONG SUCKAH !!
AND TODAY OF ALL DAYS, BIKKY HAD TO BE GONE FOR CAMP, DIDN'T HE ?

.. IF DEE HAD STAYED WITH ME JUST A LITTLE BIT LONGER...

I DON'T WANT ANYTHING HAPPENING TO YOU IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT, SO I'LL STAY OVER, OKAY?


WELL, DON'T WORRY BECAUSE THE CAVALRY'S ARRIVED. YOU NEED ME TO SLEEP WITH YOU OR ANYTHING?
THANKS, MAN. TO TELL THE TRUTH... I REALLY WAS FEELING ALONE THERE...
YOU SHOULD NOT BE ALONE.
Leave it all to me.

TA DA!! IT'S YOURS TRULY, DEE!!
I have returned ♡

WHO'S THERE?!

LET'S SEE.

I THINK IT'S A LOT BETTER NOW.
HOW'S YOUR FEVER BY THE WAY?

DEE?!

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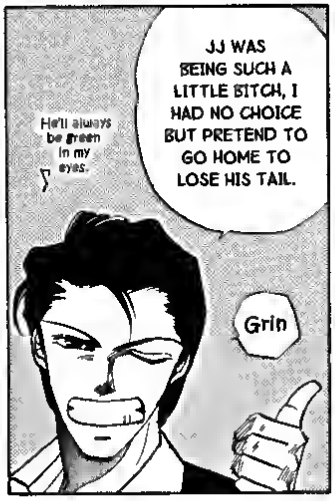
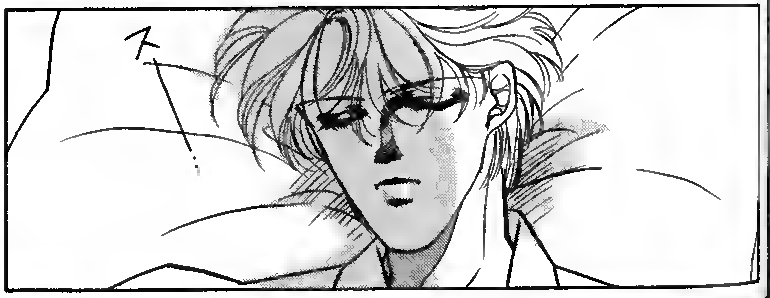
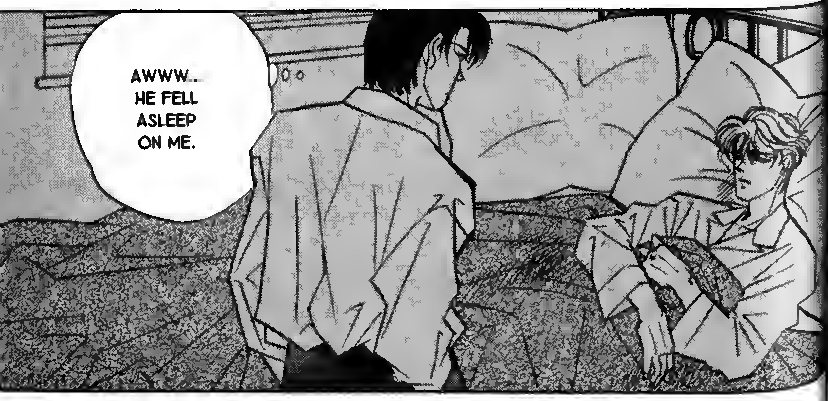
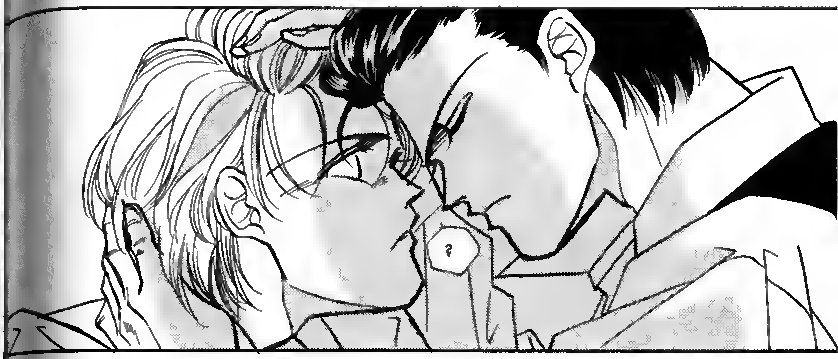

JJ WAS BEING SUCH A LITTLE BITCH, I HAD NO CHOICE BUT PRETEND TO GO HOME TO LOSE HIS TAIL.
He'll always be green in my eyes.
Grin

RYO.

The type that follows through to absolute completion once he gets started
ALL DONE!
Perfect would be an understatement.




AWWW.. HE FELL ASLEEP ON ME.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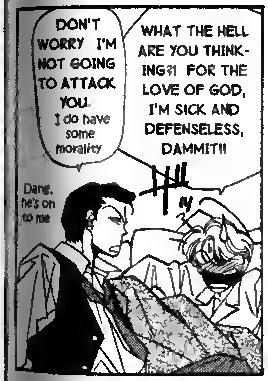
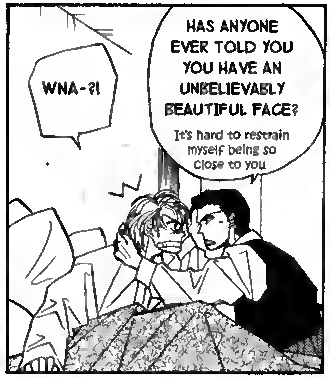

DON'T WORRY I'M NOT GOING TO ATTACK YOU. I do have some morality
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU THINK-ING?! FOR THE LOVE OF GOD, I'M SICK AND DEFENSELESS, DAMMIT!!
Dang, he's on to me


WNA-?!
HAS ANYONE EVER TOLD YOU YOU HAVE AN UNBELIEVABLY BEAUTIFUL FACE?
It's hard to restrain myself being so close to you

Stare
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WHELP, I'M GONNA GO SEE IF THERE'S ANY-TNING I CAN WASN OR CLEAN UP FOR YA...
GET SOME REST.

!!
DEE!!
I've seen whores with more shame than you you horny ape!

IT'S ABOUT TIME.
LOOKS LIKE HIS FEVER'S FINALLY GONE..
Oh, lucky day
Thank you, God, for this yummy feast.

FAKE act.4

See you again and Good Night.....

FAKE act.3 / End.

BIKKY.
FAKE
フェイク

OH MY GOD!! THERE'S A GIANT BEAR FROM THE FOREST ATTACKING YOUR CAMP! WHAT SAY YOU, MEN?!
WE PUNCH HIS LIGHTS OUT!!

AND THEN?!
CLEAR HIS SINUSES WITH A HEAD BUTT!!

AND AS IF THAT WEREN'T ENOUGH?!
KICK HIM IN THE NUTS AND RUN LIKE HELL!!!

YEAH!!
ALL RIGHT, SQUAD, YOU'RE GOLDEN. NOW YOU'VE GOT NOTHING TO FEAR IN THE CASE OF A BEAR ATTACK.
Wa ha ha...
Wooo, that was a good work out.

HMM, HAH, I'M PRETTY SURE I GOT EVERYTHING.
CAN YOU THINK OF ANYTHING ELSE YOU MIGHT NEED?

I FOUND YOUR CAP.

OH, YEAH. SOME OF YOUR FRIENDS FROM SCHOOL CAME BY TO PICK YOU UP AND..
I keep hearing voices
SOMEONE HERE?

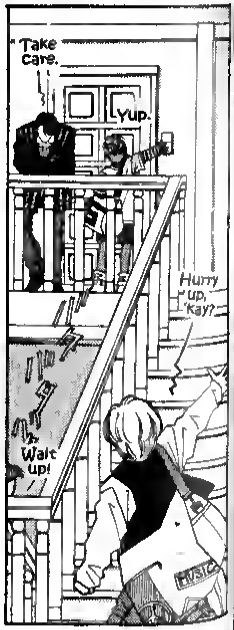
OKAY, ONE MORE TIME FOR REVIEW.
are you ready?!

...AND WHAT'S THE DEAL WITH SHOWING UP AT MY HOUSE FOR NO REASON?
WHAT THE HELL GOOD IS INCITING A BEAR GONNA DO FOR ME, HUH?
Burn in hell
You want me to repeat it for you?
THAT HURTS, KID. I WAS JUST IMPARTING SOME TESTED TACTICS TO THESE FINE YOUNG MEN IN CASE THEY RAN INTO A BEAR

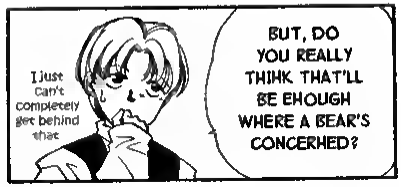
OH YEAH? ALL RIGHT, MAN. SEE YOU LATER, THEN.
HEY, JIM, THANKS FOR DROPPIN' BY, BUT I GOT A COUPLE MORE THINGS TO DO BEFORE I HEAD OUT.
That's nice
Yo, are you even listening?
SHUT UP, KID THE CRIME SCENE'S ONLY A HOP-SKIP AWAY FROM HERE THANK YOU VERY MUCH

THEN DON'T TEACH 'EM IN THE FIRST PLACE!
WHY ELSE DID YOU THINK I'D TEACH 'EM ANYTHING LIKE THAT? IF ONE DOES, THEN I'M GETTING HAILED FOR MANSLAUGHTER OR SOMETHING
LIKE ANY BEARS ARE GONNA SHOW UP AT THE CAMPSITE IN THE FIRST PLACE.
Idiot
They wouldn't stand a chance

MORNING.
BY THE WAY, WHY DIDN'T YOU GO OFF WITH THEM?

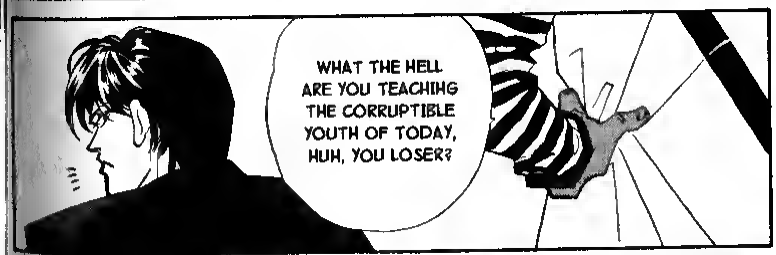

Take care.
Yup.
Hurry up, kay?
Wait up!

THANKS, OFFICER!!
I can't believe I doubted you.
NO PROB.
YOU FOOLS!!

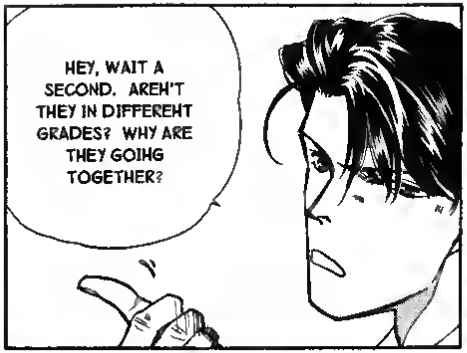

I just can't completely get behind that
BUT, DO YOU REALLY THINK THAT'LL BE ENOUGH WHERE A BEAR'S CONCERNED?

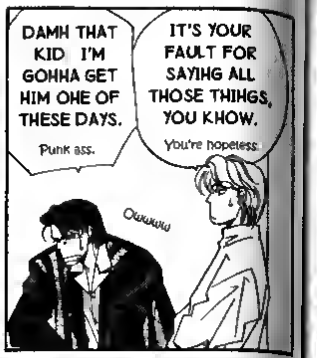
DUDE, HE'S LIKE, A REAL POLICE OFFICER. HE WOULDN'T LIE TO US.
OF COURSE IT'S ENOUGH.

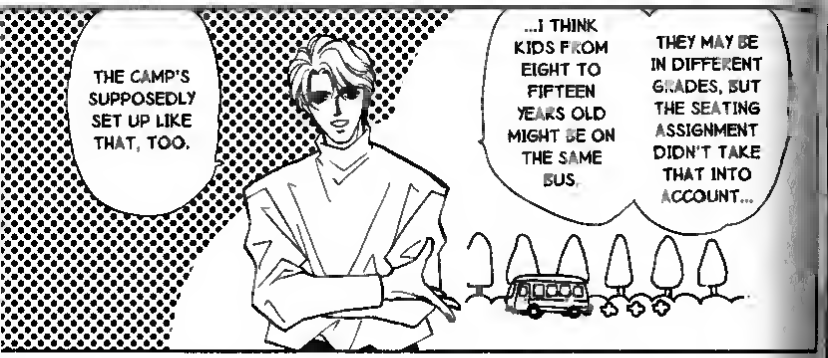
THAT'S ABSOLUTELY RIGHT. I WOULD NEVER LIE TO YOU KIDS.

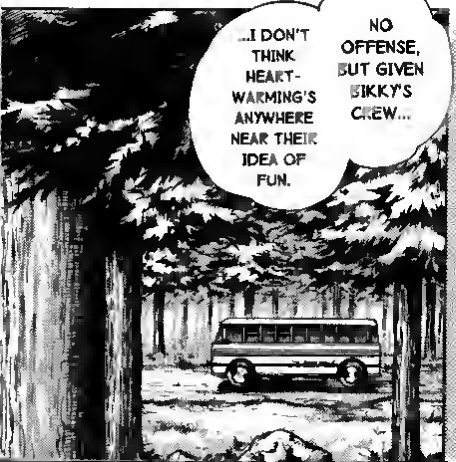

WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU TEACHING THE CORRUPTIBLE YOUTH OF TODAY, HUH, YOU LOSER?

YO, BIKKY. WHAT'S UP?
Have you ever done anything worth a damn?


HEY, WAIT A SECOND. AREN'T THEY IN DIFFERENT GRADES? WHY ARE THEY GOING TOGETHER?


DAMN THAT KID. I'M GONNA GET HIM ONE OF THESE DAYS.
Punk ass.
IT'S YOUR FAULT FOR SAYING ALL THOSE THINGS, YOU KNOW.
You're hopeless.
Ohohoho


THE CAMP'S SUPPOSEDLY SET UP LIKE THAT, TOO.
...I THINK KIDS FROM EIGHT TO FIFTEEN YEARS OLD MIGHT BE ON THE SAME BUS.
THEY MAY BE IN DIFFERENT GRADES, BUT THE SEATING ASSIGNMENT DIDN'T TAKE THAT INTO ACCOUNT...


NO OFFENSE, BUT GIVEN BIKKY'S CREW...
...I DON'T THINK HEART-WARMING'S ANYWHERE NEAR THEIR IDEA OF FUN.

I BET THEY'LL BE SINGING SONGS AND PLAYING GAMES ALL THE WAY UP THERE.
It's SOOO heart-warming

GOOD, GOOD. YOU'RE UP, AFTER ALL.

Eh heh
IF YOU'RE JEALOUS, YOU WANT ME TO GO ON A DATE WITH YOU?
WELL, WELL, OUR LOVELY COUPLE TOGETHER THIS EARLY IN THE MORNING? I'M TOTALLY JEALOUS.
Course I'm up.

OWW!!

PBHHHTT!!
WHAT THE HELL WAS THAT FOR, YOU LITTLE BRAT?!

...I'M A WAY BETTER MAN THAN THIS SHRIMP HERE.
OOOH, IN TEN YEARS, DEFINITELY!!...
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THERE'S A FREAKIN' MULATTO HALF-BREED RIDIN' AROUND IN BACK.
OH, NO WONDER IT STINKS.

DON'T SWEAT IT, OKAY?
THAT'S ENOUGH, BILLY.

AND CHECK IT OUT! THE OREO'S GOT A PURDY GOLDEN MANE, TOO... WHO THE HELL LET THAT THING IN HERE IN THE FIRST PLACE?

WHAT?

GOD, HE'S SUCH AN ASS.
BESIDES, YOU KNOW.. HE'S...

READ 'EM AND WEEP!! THREE ACES!!

...IF YOU CAN'T PAY WITH FOOD, I WANT TWENTY CENTS MAN.
HEH HEH. OKAY, YOU OWE ME ONE OF YOUR SNACKS...
Darn it, you're really good at poker aren't you, Bikky?
ARRRGHHHHH!!
DAMMIT! I LOST AGAIN?!
DAMMIT, MY LUCK'S TOTALLY CHANGED SINCE YOU STARTED DEALING.
Grrrr! Down to my last yoen!!
Figure of children playing poker for money.

DAMN! IT REEKS IN HERE.

!?
HUH?!

IT'S ALL FOREST AROUND HERE. I WONDER IF ANYTHING COMES OUT.
BUT SHEESH... HOW MUCH FARTHER ARE WE GONNA GO?. WHERE IS THIS PLACE AGAIN?
WHADDYA MEAN, COMES OUT'? LIKE HAUNTS?
Hell, no!
HOW THE HELL SHOULD I KNOW? ALL I HEARD WAS THAT IT'S A CAMPSITE BY SOME LAKE

ALRIGHTY THEN SO YOU'VE GOT TWO HOURS OF FREE TIME STARTING NOW. HAVE FUN, KIDS!
OH, REMEMBER, PLEASE OO NOT GO INTO THE WOOOS ON THE OTHER ENO OF THE CAMP.
THAT'S WHY YOU MUST ALWAYS HAVE A TEACHER CHAPERONE YOU FOR ANY BOATING ACTIVITY...

OH, GOOD THIHKING, MARIE.
HERE YOU GO, TOM.

WHAT KID WOULD POSSIBLY GET SCARED OVER A MOTTLED CARPET WITH A SNOUT?
Old people can be so stupid.

WAAH!!
WHATCHA OOING?

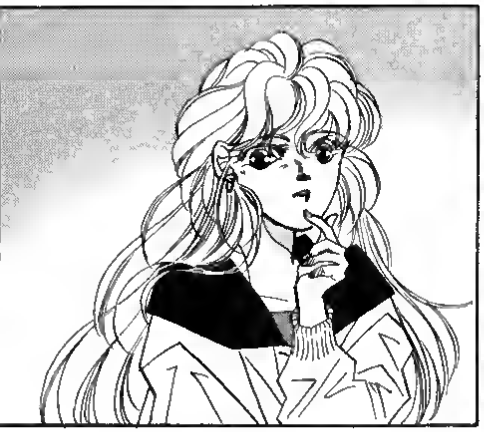
DOESN'T IT, THOUGH? I THOUGHT WE COULD USE IT TO SCARE THE CHILDREN WHILE THEY WERE SITTING AROUND THE CAMPFIRE LATER ON.
IT REALLY LOOKS LIKE THE REAL THING.
I'm so excited.

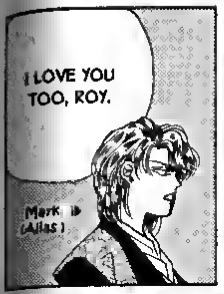
I OOH'T GET IT.
ANO THAT'S WHY HE'S TOTALLY BEIHG A NUMBER-OHE ASSHOLE TO YOU, BIKKY.

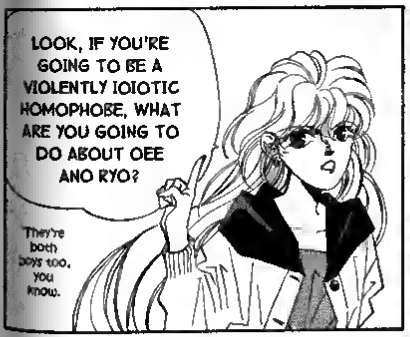
HE'S JEALOUS OF YOU.
AWW, COME OH YOU'RE, LIKE, ALWAYS HANGIN' OUT WITH HER.
Good going, dude.

HE'S BEEN TALKIN' IT UP ALL OVER ABOUT HOW HE'S GONNA MAKE HER HIS GIRL AT CAMP AND ALL.
HE'S GOT HIS SIGHTS ON CAROL FOR NOW.

HMMM..

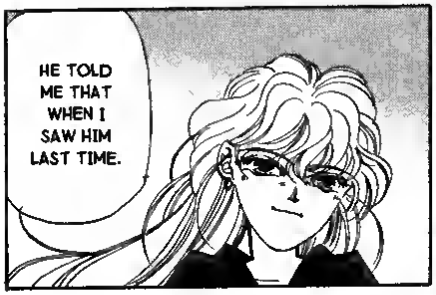





LOOK, IF YOU'RE GOING TO BE A VIOLENTLY IOIOTIC HOMOPHOBE, WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO OO ABOUT OEE AND RYO?
They're both boys too, you know.

BUT I LIKED WATCHING THEM SAY THAT TO EACH OTHER.
CONSIDER THAT TOUGH LOVE... I JUST THINK WE NEED TO NIP EVIL TENDENCIES IN THE BUD, IS ALL.
You loser, what was the point of attacking a gay couple like that?
Where ever.
Oh no, he looks awful!
Hey!
I'm sure.

Well, this really is a girls' comic, after all...


HE TOLD ME THAT WHEN I SAW HIM LAST TIME.

THAT'S WHEN MY MAMA MET MY PAPA.

WHEN CAROL'S EIGHTEEN... I'LL BE FIFTEEN...
Hmm

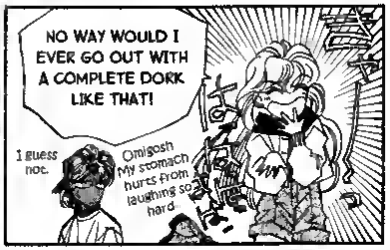
...IS ALSO THE FIRST PERSON WHO PUTS IN A BID FOR ME.
THE FIRST PERSON I'M GOING TO GO OUT WITH ONCE I TURN EIGHTEEN...

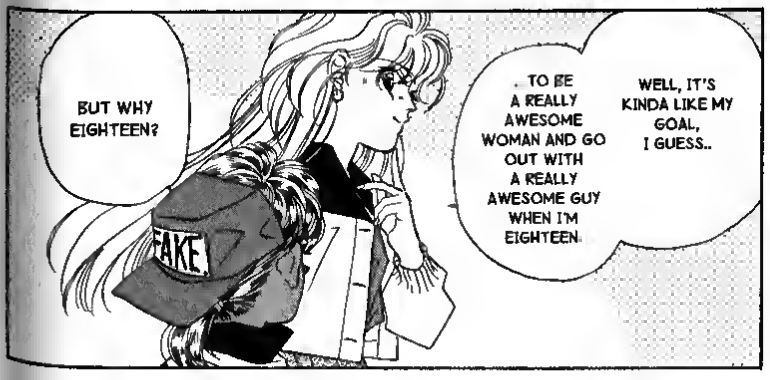
BUT I AM TAKING RESERVATIONS.
HUH?

W...WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING?! LEGGO OF ME!!... ...AAHHH, DAMMIT!! OKAY, OKAY!! BILLY'S GOT A CRUSH ON YOU!!
Come on!!
WHY, WHY? TELL ME, TELL ME, TELL ME!!
Pweeeeassseee!

WHY'S THAT?
BESIDES, I DON'T PLAN ON GOING OUT WITH ANYONE UNTIL I'M EIGHTEEN ANY-WAY.

HE SAID HE WAS GONNA MAKE YOU HIS GIRLFRIEND BY THE TIME WE LEFT HERE..
AND?


NO WAY WOULD I EVER GO OUT WITH A COMPLETE DORK LIKE THAT!
I guess not.
Omigosh My stomach hurts from laughing so hard.

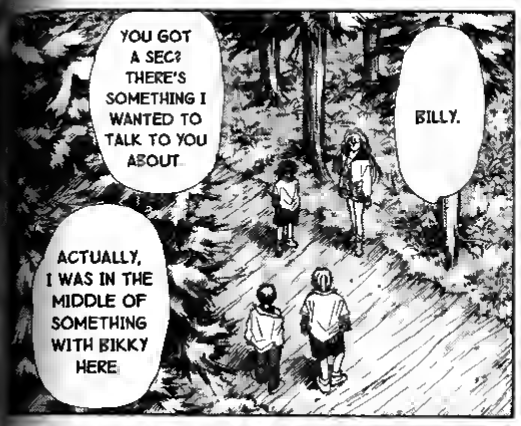

BUT WHY EIGHTEEN?
FAKE
TO BE A REALLY AWESOME WOMAN AND GO OUT WITH A REALLY AWESOME GUY WHEN I'M EIGHTEEN.
WELL, IT'S KINDA LIKE MY GOAL, I GUESS..

IT'S THE SAME THING I TALKED TO YOU ABOUT BEFORE
WHAT DID YOU WANT TO TALK TO ME ABOUT? AND DIDN'T MS MARY SAY THAT WE'RE NOT SUPPOSED TO GO INTO THE FOREST ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE CAMP?
ABOUT YOU BECOMING MY GIRL.

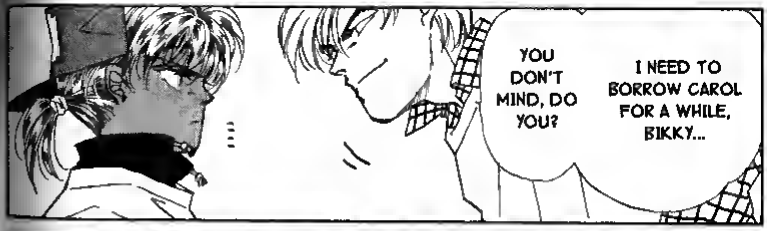
OH, AND BY THE WAY, SINCE YOU'RE HERE, WILL YOU QUIT TELLING EVERYONE AND THEIR COUSIN THAT YOU'RE GOING TO MAKE ME YOURS DURING CAMP?
WELL, IN CASE YOU'VE FORGOTTEN WHAT I SAID THEN, HERE IT IS AGAIN: NO THANKS.
UGH, EGO MUCH?

I'LL TELL EVERYONE ABOUT YOUR FATHER.

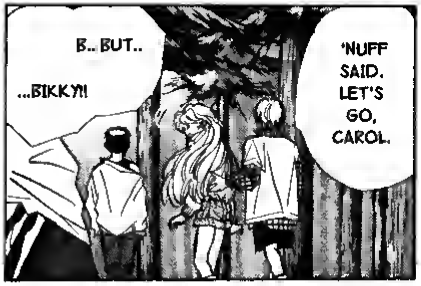
FAKE
AND WHAT IS THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN, HUH?
YOU SURE YOU WANT TO KEEP THAT AS YOUR FINAL ANSWER?


YOU GOT A SEC? THERE'S SOMETHING I WANTED TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT.
BILLY.
ACTUALLY, I WAS IN THE MIDDLE OF SOMETHING WITH BIKKY HERE.

CAROL.


YOU DON'T MIND, DO YOU?
I NEED TO BORROW CAROL FOR A WHILE, BIKKY...

DON'T ASK ME. YOU'RE THE ONE WHO WANTS HER TO GO WITH YOU.


B.. BUT..
...BIKKY?!
'NUFF SAID. LET'S GO, CAROL.

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BILLY!!

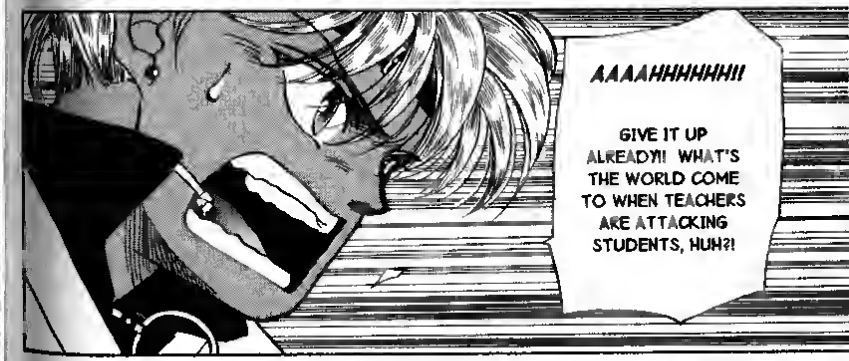
ABOUT HOW HE GOT HIS ASS SENT TO JAIL AFTER THAT WHOLE BANK ROBBING INCIDENT.
!!
IT'S A FLIPPIN' NO FREAKIN' WAY, OVER MY DEAD BODY, YOU SORRY FRIGGIN' LOSER!!
NO!!
THAT'S JUST LOW... YOU'RE A SCUM! NO, BEYOND SCUM!
SO WHAT WAS THAT ABOUT BEING MY GIRL AGAIN? WAS THAT A 'YES, PLEASE,' ON SECOND THOUGHT?
YOU BASTARD...
WHY YOU LITTLE!!

TAKE THAT!!
I SAID, GIVE IT UP ALREADY!!

KYAAAHHHHHHHH!!

WAIT A SECOND... ISN'T THAT...?

THE ONE THAT MR. TOM WAS GONNA DRESS UP IN TO SCARE US...?


AAAAHHHHHH!!
GIVE IT UP ALREADY!! WHAT'S THE WORLD COME TO WHEN TEACHERS ARE ATTACKING STUDENTS, HUH?!

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SEE? IT'S A TOTALLY...

C...CAROL...IT'S OKAY...DON'T WORRY. IT WASN'T EVEN A REAL BEAR. IT'S JUST MR. TOM DRESSED UP LIKE ONE.

WHY'S ITS NOSE ALL MOIST-LIKE?
WAIT A MINUTE!

CAROL, YOU...
MAN! PEOPLE JUST DON'T KNOW WHEN TO QUIT NOWADAYS...

SAY, WHAT WAS THAT TNING YOU USED ON IT?
OKAY.
LET'S REST NERE FOR A BIT... ...TNE CAMPSITE'S JUST OVER TNAT WAY, ANYWAY.
THIS THING? IT'S CALLED A STUN GUN.
IT'S RYO'S. THEY'RE STANDARD ISSUE FOR ALL THE COPS IN NYC.
OHHN, TNOSE THINGS THAT GIVE YOU AN ELECTRIC SNOCK? NOW'O YOU MANAGE TO GET ONE?
AND BESIDES, THAT'S NOT EVEN TRUE. I'M TOTALLY CONFIOENT THAT EVEN IF YOU NAD KNOWN IT WAS A REAL BEAR, YOU STILL WOULO NAVE COME TO MY RESCUE.
You're such a cutie
THAT'S JUST BECAUSE I THOUGNT IT WAS A OORK IN A COSTUME.
STILL, WAY TO GO, YOU. YOU TOOK OOWN A BEAR ALL BY YOURSELF!
You're making me feel like a total loser now
Shut up
GYT!

I KNEW IT.
IT'S A... REAL...
...B...BEAR!

kiss
B...
ガーン

RIGHT.
FAKE
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Part II
GET LOST
ANO SO, AFTER ALL THE CAMPFIRES NAO TURNED TO MERE EMBERS..
..TALES WERE TOLD OF THE-DEVIL-WHO-RAN-LIKE-A-LITTLE-GIRL AND-LEFT-A-GIRL-TO-FEND-OFF-A-BEAR-FOR-HERSELF..
..WNILE BIKKY'S NAME WAS RECORDED IN TNE ANNALS OF TNE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM AS TNE MIRACLE-BOY-WHO-FACED-OFF-WITH-A-BEAR-ANO-WALKED-AWAY-UNSCATNED-ANO-VICTORIOUS
DEVIL BILLY

NEY, GUYS!
BACK ALREAOY?
YO.
SAVE THE WHALES

I'M BACK!!

OH, ANO WHAT OEE SAIO ABOUT NIM BEING THE BETTER MAN? WHATEVER!! BECAUSE I TOTALLY OWN YOU IN EVERY WAY ALL THE TIME, OKAY?!

OKAY.

..S...SO I GUESS THAT MEANS YOU CAN'T GO OUT WITH ANYONE ELSE, BECAUSE I'M FIRST!!
J...J...JUST SO YOU KNOW! TH...THAT WAS MY BID, OKAY?!

Have a coffee or something?
WHY OON'T YOU STAY A WHILE?
HUH? ALREAOY?
I THIHK I'M GONNA TAKE OFF FOR HOW, OKAY?
ALL RIGHT THEN.
Rain check?
THAHKS, BUT I WAS HOPIHG TO GO SEE MY OAO TODAY.
WHA?! WHY?
I HAVE TO RENEGE ON THAT DATE 10 YEARS FROM NOW.
Sorry!
I was totally looking forward to it.
OEE?
TAKE C... OH, WAIT A MINUTE.

Please don't look forward to something like that...

RYO WAS SICK SO I STAYED THE NIGHT TO TAKE CARE OF HIM.
You got a problem with that punk?
I DIDN'T KNOW I WASN'T ALLOWED TO BE HERE.
Here we go again
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU STILL DOIHG HERE, HUH?
HMM?!
IT'S TOTALLY UNCOOL TO ATTACK A SICK PERSOH.
Bastard
YOU DIDN'T OO ANYTHING FUNNY TO HIM OID YOU?
BIKKY.
YOU DID SOMETHING ALL RIGHT.
I WAS A GOOD BOY THE WHOLE TIME HE WAS UNCONSCIOUS.
Lies.
Stare

↳ Refer to FAKE Act 3 and you'll understand

GOOD SHOW, B
Grin

Pat

HEH, HEH.

NEY!!!

Clunk

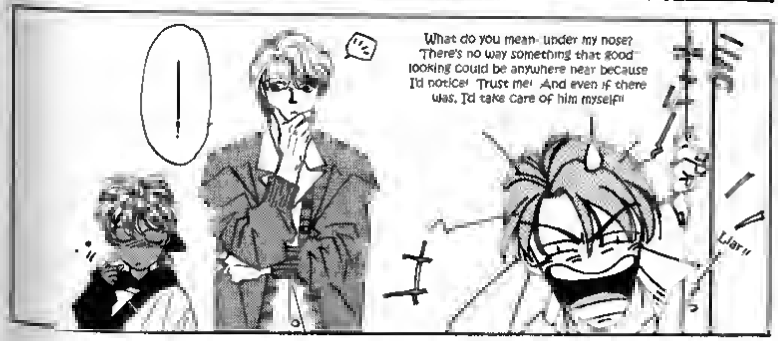
CLUNK?

BECAUSE A BOY THAT'S TEN TIMES THE MAN YOU ARE RESERVED ME ALREADY.

You can't just say that and leave!!
WNADDAYA MEAN, TEN TIMES BETTER THAN ME? WHO?! NEY...WAIT. CAROL!!
HE'S SITTING RIGHT UNDER YOUR NOSE. BYE, NOW.
WAIT!!

Twitch
WHAT?!

Blush

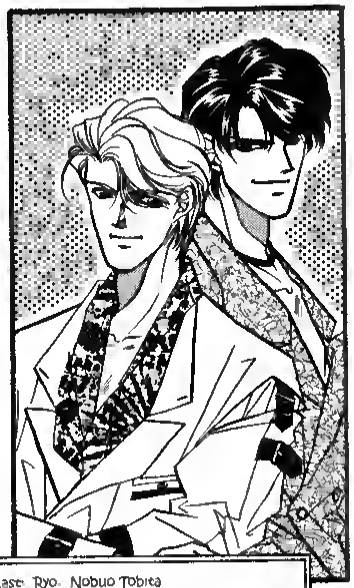

What do you mean- under my nose? There's no way something that good looking could be anywhere near because I'd notice! Trust me! And even if there was, I'd take care of him myself!!
Liar!!

FAKE After-Talk ▸By Sanami Matoh

Comics and CD ▸

It's been some time now since I've done a comic. This is also my first work published through Bibios, and I think it's been almost a year since I began the FAKE series in the first place!! Since I've got quite a few other works going on simultaneously, FAKE kinda ended up with a "when I feel like it" pace, so please forgive me. But it sure is worth it to continue a series sometimes, as Movic has decided to create a CD based on this series. Actually, the first time the idea of a CD was brought up was when the ad for Part 1 of the first act of Fake had just hit the presses! (Way too early!!) Of course, nothing really came of those talks since no one was really sure how the series was even going to do—not to mention the fact I hadn't even drawn part one yet. So they pretty much sent me packing with me begging them to "call me about it anytime—if you remember!" And they remembered, so thank you very much, Movic!!

I was able to be present for the CD recording session and all I can say is that I'm completely satisfied with how everything went. It was sooo fun, so please please take a listen to it if you get the chance.



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Cast: Ryo... Nobuo Tobita
He had a soft and kind delivery. I was very happy that we decided to go with him. (And thank you so much for talking with me about all sorts of useless things afterwards as well.)
Cast: Dee... Tomokazu Seki
He's got all of Dee's cool scenes and his dorky scenes right on the money. I'm very happy with the result. (He was such a down-to-earth guy, and I had a blast with him. I might have been just a bit too comfy with him. If so, sorry!!

NEXT CAST ▸

CAST: Bikky... Rika Matsumoto
I'm so happy that she made Bikky into such a cute and lovable character. Thank you very much! (Ms. Matsumoto was so beautiful that I couldn't help but be very nervous around her. Darn. I wish I could go back and talk to her some more now!!)

(Baddie) Feldman... Kenji Uchiumi
The Chief... Yonsuke Akimoto
Janet... Masako Katsuo
(Another baddie.)
Killer... Kazuhiro Nakata
(And another.)
Snake... Mitsuaki Hoshino

I GUESS ALL HIS HOMOPHOBIA MEANS BIKKY ISN'T GAY, HUH? HOW DISAPPOINTING
Oh well! But then again that means he's all mine after all!

FAKE act.4 / End.

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VOLUME TWO

Dee and Ryo go on their first vacation together, but their break from crime-fighting doesn't last long. When the duo encounters a corpse, they're forced to answer questions from local police, and soon discover that four Japanese people have recently been murdered there. Officer Berkley Rose seeks their help. When JJ, Bikky, and Carol show up, it appears that one of their group might be the killer's next target. With a lot of skill and a little luck, Dee and Ryo will be able to solve this murder mystery before another life is lost!